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ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

Voters Sanction Appropriations for Swimming Beach and Bleachers. Sentiment Prevents Change in Name for Street in Shawsheen

Appropriations for garbage collection, a swimming beach at Pump's pond, bleachers on the playground and \$300 toward a fire observation tower on Prospect hill, made by the voters at the adjourned town meeting held Saturday afternoon, bring the total appropriations up to \$623,270. Of this sum it is estimated that approximately \$473,270 is to be raised by taxation in addition to a \$70,000 bond issue.

The motion to purchase a piece of Reo fire apparatus for Ballardvale, was defeated after one of the most sensational discussions ever heard in an Andover town meeting. Questions by John Traynor as to who placed the article in the warrant and why a Reo truck was specified, failed to bring any response from its sponsors, even the chief of the fire department professing to be quite in the dark concerning the whole matter. The news that the truck was already standing in the street outside, capped the climax and the motion to purchase the piece of apparatus was defeated.

Another article which stirred up unexpected opposition was the motion to change the name of Poor street in Shawsheen village to Oxford street. An appeal not to eliminate the old Andover name from Shawsheen village was made, and although the speaker's knowledge of the genealogy of the Andover family was rather inaccurate, his remarks, followed by those of John F. O'Connell and Dr. C. E. Abbott, resulted in the defeat of Article 22. Article 23, proposing a similar change of name, was withdrawn from the warrant upon the motion of George Winslow.

The question of installing a new twenty-ton scale was presented by William C. Crowley and referred to the Board of Selectmen. A new street laid out between Chestnut street and Summer street was accepted as a town way and the portion of Whittier street between the Park and the Punchard school grounds was discontinued.

The motion to place a fire alarm box at the corner of Ballardvale road and Woburn street was not carried.

Under Article 28, "To determine the method of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year," it was voted to increase the pay of the tax collector to \$2000 and that portion of Article 3 relating to the appropriation for town officers was reconsidered and \$200 added to the amount already voted.

The Meeting

A pleasant incident in the afternoon's proceedings occurred just after Moderator Alfred L. Ripley had called the meeting to order, when Dr. Abbott rose to offer a resolution expressing the appreciation by the voters of the ten years' faithful service given the town by Mr. Ripley as moderator. Dr. Abbott: I rise to ask that further consideration of the articles in the warrant be suspended in order that I may bring before you the following resolve:

Resolved: That a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Alfred L. Ripley for the able, fair and impartial manner in which he has

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MINSTREL SHOW

Pythian Sisters Score Great Success in Entertainment Given for Benefit of Building Fund

Farmers and farmerettes assisted by two dainty ladies of color, furnished an evening of rare amusement to those who accepted the invitation of the Pythian Sisters to attend a minstrel show given for the benefit of the building fund for the Fraternal Building association on Wednesday evening in Garfield hall.

The opening chorus included such popular songs as "Cut Yourself a Piece of Cake," "Blue Hoosier Blues," "Last Night on the Back Porch," "Maggie" and "Down by the Old Apple Tree."

Jokes on the Pythians and Pythian Sisters were interspersed through the program of songs and dances. George Haddon acted as interactor and Miss Jean MacLeish and Miss Jessie Haddon were the "end leaders." Seated in the concert circle were Misses Jessie Haddon, Sadie MacLeish, Etta Brown, Agnes Thin, Martha Moore, Jean Gordon, Interactor George Haddon, Ann Ness, Lillian Dunbar, Eliza Smith, Susan Bissett, Marjorie Bissett and Jean MacLeish.

The hit of the evening was the Highland fling, danced by Miss Eliza Smith, and accompanied by the two end ladies, both of whom had toy balloons which they blew up and used as bagpipes under their arms.

The program:

Opening chorus—Entire company
Solo—Wonderful Mother of Mine—Susan Bissett
Dancing specialty—Annette Anderson
End Song—Clawence—Jean MacLeish
Dance—Salor's Hornpipe—Eliza Smith
Solo—Roses of Picardy—Marjorie Bissett
Dancing specialty—Annette Anderson
Selection—It Ain't Going to Rain No More—Interactor

Solo—I Want You—Sadie MacLeish
Dance—Highland Fling—Eliza Smith
End song—Me No Speaka Good English—Jessie Haddon

Closing chorus—"That Old Gang of Mine"—"No, No, Norah"—"Say it with a Ukulele"—"When It's Night-time in Italy"—"Old Man Donald"

Following the show, general dancing was indulged in, with music furnished by Mrs. Kerr Sparks, who also played for the minstrel show, and added much to the success of the affair.

Board of Selectmen Organizes

At a meeting of the selectmen held Monday afternoon, Frank H. Hardy was elected chairman and Andrew McTernan secretary, for the ensuing year. George A. Higgins is clerk of the board.

Death

March 17, 1924, at 48 Stevens street, David Mowatt Sims, aged 74 years, 3 months.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Edward Silkoski is ill at her home on Summer street.

Miss Moira Murphy is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

Walter Thompson of Avon street, is on a business trip to Baltimore, Md.

Robert G. Allen of Harvard, visited his home on Main street over the week-end.

The Masonic club will hold a dance in the Town hall on Friday evening, March 28.

Mrs. J. H. Kidder and daughter, Hazell, are spending the week at Atlantic City, N. J.

Walter I. Morse, the well-known hardware dealer, is enjoying the sights in New York for a week.

James P. Christie and family have removed from Maple avenue to Arundel street, Shawsheen Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Jealous now of Boston, who formerly resided on Bartlett street, visited in town over the week-end.

Miss Esther W. Smith of Shawsheen road, has returned from a six weeks' visit in Thomsville, Georgia, where she has been shooting.

If you like a good time and a good supper plan to visit West Parish on April 26th. Don't forget the date of the Colonial Supper.

Mrs. Joseph Cole of Hidden road, who has been quite ill for several weeks with bronchitis is improving although unable to be out as yet.

Miss Ella Holt of 22 Maple avenue, wishes to inform her patrons and friends that she expects to hold her Easter sale of goods from Shanghai, China, beginning Wednesday afternoon, April 9. Further particulars will be given later.

Harry Francis, 8-year-old son of Mrs. Mike Francis of Summer street, was cut about the head and face when he jumped from the roof of a two-story shed at his home. He landed in what he thought was a snow bank, but which was in reality a pile of bricks.

Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge will hold a two-day rummage sale in the vacant store next to the Postoffice on Essex street, April 4 and 5. The sale will be for the benefit of the Andover Fraternal association fund. Mrs. Frank S. Valentine is chairman of the committee.

A pleasant time was held in the primary room of the Free church parish house, Tuesday evening, when Alfred Harris entertained the boys of his Sunday school class. Games were played and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Among those present were Alfred Harris, Thomas Lowe, William Mackenzie, Thomas Gorrill, Alfred Bissett, Arthur Jackson, Edward Bradford, Allan Edmonds, Charles Simpson and Aleck Anderson.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Coming Events

TONIGHT
8.00 p.m. Stone chapel. Means Prize Speaking.

SAURDAY
5.00-7.00 p.m. Garfield hall. Rebekah's baked bean supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Barnard are spending several weeks at Hot Springs, Ark.

Miss Ada Pittman a teacher in the public schools at Ashland, is visiting her home on Summer street.

Mrs. Dana W. Clark of Maple avenue, is spending a few days with Miss Katherine Fraser of East Weymouth.

John Fredrickson of Highland road, is a patient at the Lawrence General hospital where he underwent an operation.

Several members of the Andover Chapter O. E. S. attended a whist party given by the Haverhill chapter on Tuesday afternoon.

At the next regular meeting of the November club to be held on Monday, March 24, Ralph Adams Cram will speak on "Revelations of Spain." Afternoon tea will be served.

A lecture on the famous Passion play as given by the residents of Oberammergau will be given in St. Augustine's church by Rev. James M. Kelley, O. S. A. on Tuesday, April 8 at 8 o'clock. The lecture is open to the public and admission will be by ticket.

The next meeting of the A. P. C. Sorority of the South church will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Albion Burr on Chestnut street, next Thursday evening, March 27. It will be in the form of a reception to Mrs. Frank T. Carleton and it is hoped that all members will be present.

An illustrated lecture on "The Passion Play" at Oberammergau, described in word, song and picture, will be presented in St. Augustine's church, Tuesday evening, April 8, at 8 o'clock by Rev. James A. Kelley, O. S. A. Tickets are now on sale. Proceeds will be for St. Augustine's school.

The treasurer of the Atlantic Co-operative Bank of Lawrence, announces in another column that he will be at their branch office in Andover, C. A. Hill's Electric Shop, Thursday, March 27, from 3 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m., to receive the monthly payments of the Andover shareholders and to open new accounts. The number of shares that have been sold in the present series is by far the largest ever sold in the history of the bank, although it is a week before this series will end. Already a large number of shares have been subscribed for, in the series which will begin in April. This is one of the few co-operative banks in the state that has been earning and paying to its shareholders 6 per cent in dividends compounded quarterly.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

J. Everett Collins is on a business trip to Baltimore, Md.

Alex Gibson and family have removed from Shawsheen road to Lawrence.

Minard Cunningham of Punchard avenue, is able to be out again after a recent illness.

Mrs. Thomas E. Rhodes will entertain the Social Twelve at her home on next Tuesday.

Miss Beatrice Buxton of the Boston Homeopathic hospital is visiting at her home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Jones have returned to their home on Central street after a several weeks' stay in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Valpey of Elm street, have removed to the new Symonds house on Summer street.

Philip W. Thomson of Abbot street was recently elected to the board of governors of the Harvard club of Boston.

Miss Lucy Craik, who is studying at the Long Island hospital, Boston, visited her home on Essex street, over the week-end.

The regular meeting of Clan Johnston will be held this evening in Garfield hall. The meeting will start at 7 o'clock and there will be a roll call of members.

Work has begun on the raising of the tenement building at the corner of Main and Chestnut streets preparatory to the erection of a business and apartment block.

A series of dances will be held in the November club house by a number of young men former Punchard students. The first is on Tuesday evening, April 1. The music will be by Barnes Ramblers.

The members of Division 6, A. O. H., are requested to meet in the K. of C. rooms this evening after the services at St. Augustine's church. Returns from the recent concert will be received by the committee.

The Woman's Committee of the Lawrence Boys' Club will give a tea on Tuesday afternoon, March 25th, from three to five o'clock, at the club building, 155 Haverhill street. They extend a cordial invitation to the women of greater Lawrence to inspect the building and enjoy a social time.

Don't forget that Charles Crawford Gorrill, the wonderful imitator of bird notes, will be at the Punchard hall on Tuesday evening, April 1. He presents an entertainment unique of its kind and one which every bird-lover and musician will wish to hear. Tickets are seventy-five cents.

Births

March 18, 1924, a son to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Mercure of 2 Shawsheen road.
March 19, 1924, a daughter, Rosa, to Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Furnari.

ALL-DAY MISSIONARY RALLY

Annual Event Arranged by Women of South Church Draws Large Gathering for Conference on Work in Home and Foreign Fields

FIRE CHIEF APPOINTED

Selectmen Make No Changes in List of Minor Officers to Serve Town for Another Year

At a recent meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Charles F. Emerson was appointed Chief of the Fire Department, to hold office according to provisions adopted under Article 12 at the Town meeting held March 10. The appointment will not be effective until May 1.

Mr. Emerson has been connected with the Andover fire department for fifteen years, being first appointed a lieutenant and then chief, holding the latter position for the past four years.

Other appointments have been made as follows: Chief of police, Frank M. Smith; patrolmen, James Napier, William L. Frye, Leonard Saunders, Thomas Dailey, John Deymond; motorcycle officer, David G. Gillespie; matron of almshouse, Mrs. Annie R. Swanton; town counsel, Daniel J. Murphy; inspector of animals, Ray S. Youmans; field driver, Alva P. Wright; scaler of weights and measures, Daniel A. Hartigan; constables, John Traynor and Eldred W. Larkin; pound keeper, Fred A. Swanton; public weighers, Harry H. Remick, Sylvester A. McGovern, Benjamin Jacques, Arthur J. Beer, Jerome W. Cross, John Wood, Ralph B. Manning; janitor of town house, and in charge of town scales, William C. Brown; surveyors of wood, bark and lumber, Edward S. Hardy, Harry H. Remick, Joseph I. Pittman, John H. Playdon, Samuel H. Bailey, Joseph F. Cole, Winthrop S. Boutwell.

The Phillips Academy Radio club has been active in operating its broadcasting set, and the Andover station has been heard in all parts of the United States. The two farthest stations that have received messages from the Andover Radio club are 7FD in Seattle, Washington, and 6GT in Riverside, California. The club has received over 200 cards from stations reporting the signals and the Andover station has been heard in 35 of the 48 states. Two of the boys have talked to stations in their home towns in Watertown, N. Y., and Minneapolis, Minn.

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The fine fellowship and inspiration which are looked forward to as a part of the annual missionary rally held at the South Church were richly experienced by the women of Andover and its neighboring towns, who assembled for the fifth such gathering held yesterday. The fine weather of the first day of spring brought out representatives from every Protestant church in Andover, as well as from North Andover, Lawrence, Taunton and Wakefield.

The morning session which opened at quarter past ten, with Mrs. John V. Holt presiding, was devoted to a conference on "Our Church and the Challenge of Youth."

Speakers from the various Andover churches took part as follows: Mrs. V. D. Harrington, South church, "The King's Daughters"; Mrs. Harry A. Wright, West church, "The Church as a Social Center for Young People"; Miss Emily B. Tracy, Ballardvale, "Junior Helpers and Order of Joyful Service"; Mrs. Frank M. Benton, Church of Christ in Phillips Academy, "The Peabody House Sunday School"; Mrs. Donald Carter, Shawsheen Village, "A Class of Eighteen Boys"; Mrs. Clara W. Norton, Baptist church, "The Farther Lights of the World-Wide Guild"; Miss Jennie Hinchcliffe, Free church, "The Margaret Slattery Class for Young Women"; Mrs. Arthur Boutwell, Christ church, "What Lent Means to Young People"; Miss Bertha Bailey, Abbot Academy, "The Abbot Christian Association."

A group of five speakers, some from Andover and others from out of town spoke on the general topic of "Saving America through her Boys and Girls" telling what was being done for the spiritual and physical welfare of young people especially in Andover and Boston. The speakers were Miss Anna W. Kuhn, "The Andover Child and the Red Cross"; Miss Marie Campbell, for Miss Edith Moreton, "Guarding the Health of Andover School Children"; Mrs. John V. Holt for Mrs. Lotta Johnson, "Child Welfare Work in Andover"; Miss Ruth Richards, "Even the Least of These"; Rev. Harry Stock, "The Power of Young Life." Miss Richards is an enthusiastic worker among the young people at the Maverick church, East Boston, and had an interesting story to tell of a church that through its numerous activities makes itself felt throughout the community seven days in the week. Work for the young people to do by themselves, and work for them to do

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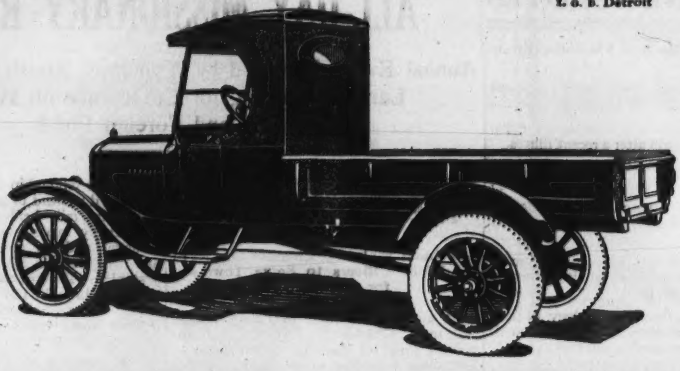
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TOWN MEETING

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conducted for ten years the various town meetings which have been carried out under his wise and courteous administration as moderator; and it is further moved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the records of this meeting.

(Seconded by Mr. Frost and adopted; followed by applause.)

Moderator: This introduces an unexpected element into the meeting, both in what you have done and apparently what I ought to do. I assure you I am not prepared with any formal address, not expecting any such motion whatever. I can say, however, not merely that I thank you, but that the ten years that I have occupied this stage have been exceedingly enjoyable years. I realize that not only am I growing older but also that my occupation removing me from Andover prevents me from knowing as much about the citizens of Andover taking part in town affairs as I would like to know in connection with this position. That is my main reason for giving up the job, but it has been an exceedingly pleasant job, not altogether easy at times and sometimes I have felt that I have not followed my own desires, to say nothing about what you might reasonably expect; but if you accept the statements in the motion I am very grateful to you for believing them because I am sure in holding this office I have simply tried to see to three things: in the first place, that the voters knew what they are asked to do, in other words that there should be clearness as to motions and ideas; in the second place, that the voters should have a fair opportunity to express themselves; and in the third place, that you should exercise as much courtesy and consideration for others as you would reasonably expect for yourselves. I am quite proud of our town meeting and the results of the last ten years have done nothing to diminish my pride. So that in making this valedictory I again thank you very kindly.

John Traynor: I rise to say that you have been more than square, and I hope you will pardon all the trouble we have made you.

Moderator: I assure you, gentlemen, you need not have any qualms of conscience on that score. Some may have qualms who have not been so accustomed to get to their feet as much as the last speaker, but I haven't anything that I cherish in the way of either malice or ill feeling.

If there is no further matter to bring up under special privilege we will go on with the meeting.

Article 16.—To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$2000 for the collection and disposal of garbage, and if the Town believes that the collection and disposal should be a self sustaining proposition, to see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to put such a plan in operation under such regulations, based upon the actual cost of the service and no more, as may be justified in order to make the service effective, on petition of Madeleine B. Francke and others.

Mr. Traynor: I move that it be stricken entirely from the warrant.

(Not seconded.)

Frederic G. Moore: I move you the adoption of this Article 16.

William C. Crowley: I second it. It seems to me the question of garbage has grown to be a pretty serious thing. I find on Page 27 of the Town report, a report of the special town meeting, June 12, where it was voted that the question of the collection and disposal of garbage and ashes be referred to the Board of Health and Board of Public Works as a joint committee to report at the next annual town meeting. I don't know whether either one of those boards have had a meeting or made a report, but it seems to me something must be done. We are now in the same position that we have been for the last five or six years because the question is always juggled or thrown out. At a meeting held in the Punched School some time ago under the direction of the League of Women Voters it was recommended that \$4,000 be appropriated and spent under the direction of the Board of Public Works but I understand the Board of Public Works decided that they could not handle this. I don't know whether the Board of Health has any recommendation to make or not. It is a serious question and I feel that we must make some recommendation. We ought to furnish some kind of an arrangement for the disposal of garbage so that we would be practically sure of getting rid of it once in a while, instead of taking it over to the dump as Mr. Swanton told us is being done. That is not the right way, and I hope that the \$2,000 will be voted here today.

Moderator: I want to call the citizens' attention to the fact that there is a conditional clause in the article. I wonder if Mr. Moore in making the motion contemplated simply an appropriation of \$2,000 or went further and desired to instruct the selectmen to put a plan into operation. I am not quite clear.

Mr. Moore: I had no part in the draft of the article but I understand from the proponent that it is rather carefully drawn. I appreciated the point which you raise before you spoke. I suppose the question should be divided, but it was in my mind that the Selectmen be instructed to draw a plan and put such a plan in operation, and that the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated to finance the plan.

Moderator: I thought that was what you had in mind but I was not sure.

Henry Povo: Does the town of Andover consider for a minute how far \$2,000 would go towards collecting garbage? That ain't just a commencement. One man could never do it in this wide world of Adam. Five thousand dollars won't do it. You are only commencing to get into it when you put up \$2,000.

Mrs. Herbert F. Fraser: The League of Women Voters has taken up this question very thoroughly and we have obtained many facts in our study. We have more information than we had at the meeting that Mr. Crowley spoke to you about, but I don't believe I need to take your time to argue on these points. It is almost an insult to your intelligence to point out that garbage should be collected as a matter of cleanliness, self-respect and health, for I think every one of you has that already in mind. As to the method of collection, we have given this careful study and have reports from many towns all over the United States, so that we can give you figures and facts. We feel that certainly the town should supervise the collection of garbage in order to insure a regular and efficient collection and also to see that regulations are enforced, such regulations as the garbage collectors themselves would need, as for instance the stipulation that glass and other foreign matters should not be put in the garbage. That could be kept regulated if the town supervised the collection. We do not mean to do the collecting, but supervise it. We believe that the contractor method is much more economical. He has the equipment on hand and can make an offer and take the whole matter off the hands of the Board of Selectmen or whatever agency is directing it. As to the method for getting contracts, I should say by competitive bids. The method of disposal is another important matter. If the town collected the garbage with their own

teams, they would still have to dispose of it, but if it was let to a contractor he would get rid of it. You don't want it put on your dump here certainly. The collectors would see to the disposal in the proper way. We have looked into the matter of the gain per pound per pig on garbage feeding and we also know the comparative gain on garbage-fed pigs and grain-fed pigs. We can give a lot of interesting facts to any collector who wants to make a bid, if he doesn't have them already. If the town did the collecting the cost would be from \$3,000 to \$6,500 so far as we can estimate it. If the contractor did it I am not quite sure what the figure would be, but probably between \$3,000 and \$4,000 for the entire year. As to the raising of funds, of course there are two methods that have been suggested, either a stated appropriation or an assessment. The article suggests that the assessment method be put into operation for this first year for a beginning, but it is not the ideal way. That is to have a straight appropriation, and it seems to me that the town should put through a special appropriation for taking care of that garbage. If you can't do that then an assessment could be charged and the assessments would pay for the collection and no more. There is one great weakness in that plan. Your main arguments for health and cleanliness would not be met because it would be up to the individual whether or not he wanted his garbage taken care of and you want your neighbor's yard as clean as your own because it threatens the health of your own children and your own family if conditions are not right on your neighbor's property. The town would have to insist on a rule that every one within certain limits must have their garbage taken care of by the town, or else the town must make a stated appropriation and take care of it. Of course this sum of \$2,000 would not do the work for the entire year, but it would make a start during the summer months and take care of it at least through the summer. That would be a half measure but it would be better than none.

Mr. Traynor: I haven't made any long study of the situation, but I do love the town of Andover. When you consider this \$2,000 amount, you are only supporting the Board of Health or the Board of Public Works in making another political issue on the town. From Hood's farm to Wilson's Corner is some territory that this town covers for a man to travel over. A man wouldn't walk it, let alone collect it over it for \$2,000 a year. These people have made a grand study when they don't know how to get rid of their garbage. I do. They seem to be getting tired of taking care of their own yards and they want the town to clean them for them. The lady has no doubt but what you could get a contractor. No contractor would do the job for less than \$8,500 the first year. If those people are so hard pushed to get rid of their garbage I have a man who will collect it for you if you give him 200 customers at 25 cents per week. If these people are so interested in getting their yards cleaned up, let them pay him. It would cost \$50 a week for him and his horse.

George B. Frost: It seems to me that if the last speaker can back up what he has said, we have a very plain problem before us. I am sure I will give more to have my garbage removed (there are only two of us and I am as economical as I have the name of being) and I will promise to give more for any scheme that the town of Andover may have looking to the betterment of its citizens, whether it be a swimming pool or for the children's playground, or anything that the town of Andover believes in that will better the town, if they will come to me with their subscription solicitation—I will promise to give as much as any man in Andover with my income, but I don't believe as a general principle in lodging everything that can be lodged, upon the town. Whom do you mean, gentlemen, by the town? It seems that the ladies (and God knows that no man respects them more than I do or has labored more for women's rights than I in public and private) but I hope they are not going to be governed by sentiment. I want them to take their part in town affairs knowing something about the financial condition of the town.

Before coming here I went over the list of things the town wanted, and if they gave the town everything that it wanted it would be \$723,000 and some odd cents, nearly three-quarters of a million dollars. Where does that money come from that we say we are going to appropriate? Where do you raise money? You don't raise it as you raise potatoes. We simply take it from a piece of real estate, it may be a house or a barn or woodshed. We have got 1700 acres of land in Andover. There is where the money is, and this three-quarters of a million is taken from a little slice of my house and a little slice of your house. You put \$20,000 into carrying water to fourteen

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TOWN MEETING

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families the other day. Our friend who last spoke is fearful now, but he had no qualm the other day in voting away \$20,000. All I contend is this—let us live within our income. I want splendid roads, splendid schools, and all that, but let me tell you something, and I will try not to be long. These are some figures that I took off this morning. I find that there has come to the

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town of Andover from just one source, namely Shawshen, in the year 1922, \$49,294, and we spent it all. In 1923 there came \$66,735 and we gobbled that all up, although we did reduce our tax a little bit. In 1924, when we are under the largest expense for schoolhouse bonds and serial bonds, there will be paid into our town treasury \$68,820 more. So our increased income from one source alone for the last three years was \$184,849. I beg the privilege, Mr. Moderator, of reading a brief extract from one or two letters received some time ago in answer to some articles I wrote. These are from Mr. William M. Wood. He did not write them for publication, but I beg you to consider. He said, "I should like to see our taxes reduced. Certainly when we contribute such a large proportion of the taxes we like to see the expenses cut down, at least until such time as we get our mills on a paying basis. Our taxes this year" (that was last year, 1923) "ought to be less than they were last year." (Well, they were a trifle less.) "I stand for sensible economy and stabilization, that is all I ask." He said, "I agree with you precisely, Mr. Frost, in your policy" (although that is not in this letter). "I believe in economy and equalization and if possible a reduction in taxes." Then here is a letter received December 29, 1922, "We

want to be a help to the town in every possible way and help the farmer to get lower taxes if possible, or at least arrest any further increase in taxes."

Now with reference to this article, it seems to me a very complicated article. There are two distinct propositions; one conditional, and one unconditional. First we are asked to vote \$2,000 for the collection and disposal of our garbage. That is plain. This is a definite distinct proposition that is before us. Now the other is based on the condition that it shall be self-sustaining in which case we are to instruct our selectmen to formulate a plan. One is that we vote \$2,000 for the collection and disposal of garbage—that is clear. The other is that we instruct our selectmen to work out a plan. Evidently they have not come before us with any definite plan. It puts it upon three men to work out this plan, but only on condition that this meeting here today believes that it should be self-sustaining. Now I am willing to sustain a motion to this effect, that we appropriate \$2,000—in fact I have written out a motion. I move that the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated for the collection and disposal of garbage provided that the selectmen can perfect a plan whereby such collection and disposal of garbage can be self-sustaining. Otherwise this \$2,000 shall be turned back into the town treasury. I move that as a motion.

Mr. Pove: That amendment ain't no good. That is foolishness for us to commit something here if it is going to run the town in debt. I have been getting my yard taken away and my yard cleaned up, and I am a poor man. Let every man keep his yard clean himself and pay for his garbage, and know where the money is coming from.

Edward J. Pritchard: I would like to speak on this garbage question because I find it is one of much importance. We notice the ladies have taken a very prominent part in this important matter, and I think they have just grounds to do so. In my own home I know that we are confronted with the difficulty of disposing of the garbage, and my good wife said to me, "Well, I do hope the town will find some way of relieving the town people of Andover in getting rid of

garbage." We have several pails full right now, and although my friend on my right says he gets rid of his all right, I wish he would acquaint me with the method, because we are not able to do it. We find that the need of this is necessary because of several reasons—first on the ground of health, and secondly on the ground of cleanliness on the ground that it produces vermin, flies and mice and those things that we don't like around our premises, and we also know it produces disease. For those reasons alone the town of Andover should give this matter very careful consideration this afternoon. In talking with some who say they dispose of their garbage, we find that they have a neighbor who has hens and chickens. Garbage is easily disposed of in that way to those people who are fortunate or unfortunate enough to have neighbors with hens and roosters next door. Then others have neighbors with pigs to feed. Garbage disposal is quite easy if you have a neighbor with a pig but the majority of the citizens of Andover have neither chickens nor roosters or pigs. Another objection is, why should we who live on the outskirts start and pay for the removal of garbage? We remind those of us who are paying the advance of gas, and electricity and water, and telephone, and who is paying the surplus cost of these conveniences, the residue, the community who live in the circumscribed area are paying the excess cost for these conveniences. Now we ask for this very necessary convenience, and we who are asking this, ask also for a plan by means of which the disposal of garbage should be carried out.

Having been asked to serve on the garbage committee I wrote to several nearby towns, thinking it might be a good criterion for us to go by. From Brookline, I got the following letter: "In reply to your inquiry regarding the method of the collection and disposal of garbage, I would say that the work is done by the town. We have five Mack trucks with specially designed bodies. The material is collected from the residential districts three times each week. (You will see they are alive to the necessity of keeping their homes clean.)" and from commercial establishments daily. We have a contract with the Cedar Farm for the delivery of garbage at the rate of \$1.72 per ton. Since May, 1915, a charge of twelve and a half cents is made for each barrel collected from stores, restaurants, etc." This letter is signed by Daniel L. Lacey, superintendent of the garbage collection department of the town of Brookline. I also have a letter from the town of Winchester, and I will leave that with you, as some of the ideas might be useful if you wish to adopt a plan. "In reply to your letter of recent date I have to say that about twenty years ago" (evidently we are behind the times) "we laid out and constructed what was at that time a modern, well constructed and convenient stable with a capacity of about twenty horses. The writer was a member of the committee having the erection of the stables and other buildings in charge and is familiar with all that was done. We judged that our garbage could be brought to the central yard and carried away, with the result that we built a special masonry building for the garbage. The collection wagons drive into this building and dump their loads there through a trap door in the floor into large four-horse wagons which are hauled away when full. This method works very well. We collect garbage in charge and sell garbage and sell by yearly contract to parties who take it away from our yard. This method we have followed for about twenty years. We use two wagons and one Ford truck equipped with dump body and covered top." The story, by the way, is very little to the town of Winchester, and it need not be one penny more to the town of Andover. In fact, if what I saw in the Lawrence Tribune the other day is true I think it may be made a very profitable transaction for the town, for here is a man who uses the city of Lawrence for \$75,000 because they have not lived up to the contract that he made with them several years ago in which the city agreed that he should have the entire collection of garbage at least in South Lawrence, and his complaint is (the trial is not ended) that the town has permitted farmers from nearby sections to come into the city and collect the garbage that rightly belonged to him according to his understanding of the contract. Hence the suit for \$75,000.

Now, I think, gentlemen, that our selectmen, or whoever may have the matter in charge, can formulate some intelligent plan from these letters I have read and others that I think our secretary has a number of, so that they will make this collection of garbage satisfactory to all. Even assuming that it will cost \$4,000, although I think \$2,000 will ultimately be all that it will cost, but even assuming \$4,000, what is that divided among so many, to be used for such a very useful and necessary purpose in helping the town to keep clean, and keep your children healthy, and the women satisfied? I am heartily in favor of the garbage collection.

Mr. Traynor: Just go down and look at Shawshen Village. They pay for taking their own garbage away and our own ashes away, twenty cents a barrel, and the village looks immaculate. You will find my motion was the most sensible way to dispose of Article 16, and get rid of this thing. Any man who has got the welfare of his home at heart, as I am my wife have, can keep their home immaculate without having the town do it. He said the secretary can get more facts, but you are intelligent people and you don't have to be told that we are twenty years behind the times. We are still to the front in anything for the good of the town.

Mr. Crowley: I don't think the gentleman understands what he is talking about. Perhaps this is not the finest article that has been written but the Town Clerk was consulted, and they had to be guided by what he said under the conditions.

Mr. Traynor: I would like to know what gentleman he is referring to when he says they don't know what they were talking about. Does he mean me?

Mr. Crowley: I said the previous speaker. Mr. Traynor: That is me. I know what I am talking about. I am talking about Article 16. If Mr. Crowley wants to know what I am talking about, tell him to ask me and I will show him. (Laughter)

Joseph L. Burns: I understand that this article asks for an appropriation of \$2,000 with the further instruction that the selectmen be authorized to work out some plan to bring about the condition desired. I think most people agree that something ought to be done about garbage; the issue is whether by private contract or by the town. I personally feel that we ought to make a start on it. That is all this article is asking for, to appropriate this small sum so that a start can be made and some plan worked out. I think considerable study has been given to this by some of these women as evidenced by the statistics read by their secretary. I do not think this article ought to be stricken from the warrant, and it seems to me that the \$2,000 ought to be appropriated as recommended by Mr. Moore. Then the Selectmen will have plenty of opportunity to work out some plan. I think we ought to have town authorities

back of this plan. All these people are asking is, that the town get back of this proposition and make a study of it. It seems to me that the sum of \$2,000 is all that is needed at this time, and if in the course of the coming year the town fathers can find a contractor that is willing to take garbage within the radius of a mile and a half, and make some contract in behalf of the town, it would be worth trying. Then we could have it in the warrant before the next meeting, whether it was \$8,000 or less or more, and if we found the plan was not satisfactory then we can discuss the matter at some future meeting. At any rate we ought to appropriate the \$2,000 at this time and make a plan.

Mr. Fraser: The Board of Health was offered a contract of \$4,000 some time ago I understand, and we know of other men who want this contract. There would undoubtedly be competitive bids.

Ed. Edgar Folk: I would like to know if this committee that was appointed at the last meeting has studied the matter and made any report. Under Article 8, last year it was voted to refer the matter of garbage collection to a joint committee composed of the Board of Health and the Board of Public Works.

Dr. Charles E. Abbott: It was early found that the matter of the collection of garbage was not to be put up to the Board of Public Works. The Board of Health have gone over the ground much more extensively than the gentleman on my right, Mr. Pritchard. We wrote to thirty-five or forty towns in regard to collection and disposal of garbage, but the information would not be of much value in the particular case of the town at this time. It seems to me that, especially upon matters of health, the question should arise as to where the so-called economy should end and the question of judgment begin. Today particularly this question should be brought before you upon its merits, and not as a matter of convenience for a few individuals, but also as a matter of health in the community. There is much being done now everywhere in the matter of public welfare, not only for the citizens but for the children, and in every measure of this sort there has been for its fundamental principle, the matter of health. That is a question that should be considered before the matter of convenience. As I said before, it must be considered where the so-called economy ends and judgment begins. I hope this question will be decided upon its merits and not convenience.

(It was voted to appropriate \$2000 for garbage collection as moved by Mr. Moore—one dissenting vote.)

Article 17.—To see if the Town will accept Section 12 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws which reads as follows:—

"A Town which accepts this section, or has accepted corresponding provisions of earlier laws, by a two-thirds vote at an annual meeting, may purchase or lease land, and erect, alter, enlarge, repair and improve buildings for public baths and wash houses, either with or without opening dry grounds, and may make open bathing places, provide them with the requisite furniture, fittings and conveniences and provide instruction in swimming. Such Towns may establish rates for the use of such baths and wash houses, and appoint officers thereof and may make by-laws for the government of such officers, and authorize them to make regulations for the management thereof and for the use thereof by non-residents of said Town, and also appropriate the sum of two thousand (\$2000) dollars if said section is accepted, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining swimming baths at Pump's Pond, on petition of John F. O'Connell and others.

John F. O'Connell: In rising to move that Article 17 be adopted, I wish to make some explanation as to the history of the Pump's Pond Fund Committee. Last summer, following the insertion of an editorial in the Townsman, which was really the culmination of a great deal of thought in this community about a swimming beach for the people of Andover, a group of people got together and prepared for immediate use a section of the beach at Pump's Pond, which at that time, and now, is under lease by Camp Andover. One reason why we moved suddenly is because it happens that Pump's Pond, the most accessible of the ponds around here, is gradually being surrounded by camps for the benefit of people outside of Andover. If you drive with your car, or walk down to this beautiful fresh water lake, you find a sign bearing the words "Camp Andover—For the use of boys and girls of Boston and vicinity." Or scouts of camp marked "For the Malden Boy Scouts." A boy in Andover will have to take his chances in Shawshen, or go down around those camps where all those other people are, and not get a friendly look if he tries to use his own pond. So with the co-operation of Camp Andover we asked for part of that area and Mr. Foster, the owner, very gladly allowed us to have it. We appointed two boys, young men, trained in life-saving methods and in swimming, and immediately started to secure funds from 400 people. We secured over \$900 which was sufficient to man the camp for that year. As we went the rounds, many families and institutions who contributed did so on the condition that we would bring this up to the town this year as a straight town matter. If we don't move now as a town proposition, it will have to go back again to a volunteer committee, which seems to be somewhat of an imposition as it requires a great deal of work. It also seems quite unfair to ask the same group to contribute another sum to carry on the work, because it is always one group over and over again that has to carry these things. We are again fearful of delay because Mr. Foster himself may change his mind and sell that land which is becoming more valuable every day because of the needs for recreational facilities and interests. Then this area is already under a nominal lease to Camp Andover and without their consent we could not go in, but we can now secure the area from Mr. Foster. We estimated the cost at \$2,000 principally caused by the erection of a house, which can be taken down later if we want, or if we care to keep it during the winter we can do so for winter sports, etc. The rest of the expense is for the administration of the camp, including \$400 for the two young men and their board. During the summer, there were as many as 150 in the water at one time, and one summer day there were 250 who came between morning and night. There were twenty-five who learned to swim there.

As I have explained, the general conditions are such that we hope you will put the motion through unanimously. (Seconded, and voted unanimously.)

Article 18.—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of five thousand (\$5000) dollars to purchase a Triple Combination Pump, Chemical Tank, Hose Body, fully equipped, mounted on Reo Speed Wagon Chassis, on petition of the residents of Ballardvale, same to be placed in the Ballardvale Fire Engine House.

Henry A. Bodwell: I move you, in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the Selectmen and the Board of Engineers investigate the matter and report with recommendation at the next annual town meeting.

Mr. Traynor: I want some facts about the way that was put in there about having a

Reo truck. People ought to know this story. I know the story. For advertising in our Town report someone gets ten per cent on this and then there is ten per cent to the committee, and that means \$1,000. It doesn't seem right that we can put these things into our public warrant. I hope it will be referred back.

James Oldroyd: I represent Ballardvale and I wish to call attention to that statement where it says "not approved." I don't know where they got that idea that we only want it to fight brush fires. We don't come up here asking for a truck to fight brush fires. I understand one of the reasons this is going to be slipped over is because you want a new truck up here next year and then you can ship the old one down to Ballardvale. That is what your chief engineer's idea is.

Mr. Burns: It seems to me the people of Ballardvale ought to be given an opportunity to express their wishes on this article. I think they seldom come to this town meeting asking for an appropriation for money to be expended in their part of the town and it is very seldom that you hear a protest from the people of Ballardvale over the money to be expended for the benefit of those who have the good fortune to live in the more central part of Andover. I have made inquiries as to the condition there in the fire department. They have two old horses, one of them at least twenty years of age, and the other fast approaching that age. That is totally inadequate equipment to respond to any fire, having in mind the wide area over which Ballardvale extends. The fire engine house is in a hollow with hills on either side and I can imagine a fire on the plains with those two horses trying to get up there with the heavy fire apparatus, and probably our department would be left behind the horses could make it. I don't think the people of Ballardvale want to go back to their little district and feel that this has been chipped off the boards for further discussion. The Board of Engineers have had plenty of time and opportunity to give us some advice on this matter at this meeting, and if the sum of \$5,000 will buy the proper motor apparatus for Ballardvale it seems to me that that apparatus ought to be purchased for Ballardvale. With the situation down there as it is, the town of Andover, instead of waiting for another year can well afford to give them a motor apparatus if it only costs \$5,000.

Mr. Frost: It is the old old story. "It will cost only \$5,000." It is like taking a wheel with thirty spokes in it. You lengthen one spoke and it is only two inches, but you lengthen thirty spokes and then try to put the tire on that wheel. I have talked with the engineer about this matter and I asked him how much time it takes to go to Ballardvale, and he said "Three minutes." I said, "Do you really mean it?" and he said "Yes, it takes only three to five minutes." I said "What apparatus have you?" And he said "We have ninety-five gallons of chemicals." When you can get to a fire in three or five minutes with ninety-five gallons of fire-extinguishing chemicals, I don't think that they are in such dire need and that the entire town could have a terrible conflagration so that you need to spend \$5,000 to get a motor truck down there. We are not a mean people, but I hope we have not lost our judgment, as the chairman of our Board of Health suggested when he said this is a matter of judgment and not of sentiment. In the name of intelligent Andover, don't, I beseech you, allow your sentiment, mushy sentimentality, to override your God-given reason.

Mr. Traynor: I want to rise to inform the town and place myself correctly upon this issue. I do not believe that any board or committee ought to go to work and make a deal with an inside proposition as this is, by advertising it in our report. The rear chassis of these Reo trucks are so weak they get broken down. In a nearby town they paid \$700 or \$800 for one that got out and got smashed. I wonder if they have bought this one yet. It wouldn't be the first time they bought it before they got permission. There has been such things known.

Mr. Burns: If it pleases Mr. Traynor, I will amend my motion and have the reference to the Reo truck stricken out and some other make put in, but I don't think it is essential to this case on its merits. I don't know whether Mr. Frost felt that I was trying to reach the sympathy or sentimental side of the meeting when I urged that the town adopt this article. That was far from my mind, as I have no such intention of asking the town to vote \$5,000 on account of sympathy or sentiment, but I do feel that this matter has been talked over by the people of Ballardvale with a considerable degree of thought, and it is the opinion of the people in Ballardvale, that they are inadequately protected. Their equipment there is not up to date and they are simply asking this town to give them an equipment such as will take care of their property in time of need. I don't know about the speed

of our motor apparatus in getting to Ballardvale in three minutes. Sometimes three minutes might be dangerous in time of fire, and I do feel that they need some motor apparatus in that house in Ballardvale. The sum of \$5,000 will give them such apparatus and I hope the town will vote it.

Frank McNulty: It is not only the town of Ballardvale will benefit by getting the pump, etc. This section of the town will benefit as well. Mr. Frost made a remark about its taking three minutes to get to Ballardvale. In 1921, when the Todd house burned in Frye Village, two pieces of apparatus left our fire house and one got stalled in the mud. The Todd house was totally destroyed simply because the pressure down there was not sufficient to cope with the blaze. Only one good stream could be forced into the building. Then there is the case of the McDougall stables in December of this year, when we had a nice example of what can happen when one pump is out of commission. Seven minutes after the fire, they had one small stream from a hydrant protecting Morrissey's garage, and an hour and a half later the Ballardvale apparatus got up. Not only Ballardvale would benefit from this addition, but the town of Andover as well. It is a question if our motor apparatus can at all times get down to Ballardvale in three minutes. The service down there is simply dependent upon the hydrant pressure; as we know, there is a good part of Ballardvale not covered by hydrants.

Fred G. Cheney: We have a board of engineers in charge of our fire department, and they are supposed to know more about these matters than the average citizen. I would like to hear from them as to their judgment in this matter.

Charles F. Emerson: The motor apparatus down there would be a very good thing if the town could afford this triple combination. As far as the Reo goes, I didn't know it was going to be put into the town warrant until I saw it there. I would like to see that apparatus put in down there if the town can afford it.

Mr. Traynor: I would like to ask someone to tell me who put that article in to advertise the Reo truck. I would like to know who put it in. There are too many kinds of pumps and pieces of apparatus that are better than a Reo, and this is not going to be put over without an investigation of who put in that Reo truck advertisement.

Mr. Emerson: Mr. Wells called me up and wanted to know if I would meet him and when I met him he had a paper written that they wanted a Reo pump. I asked him if he

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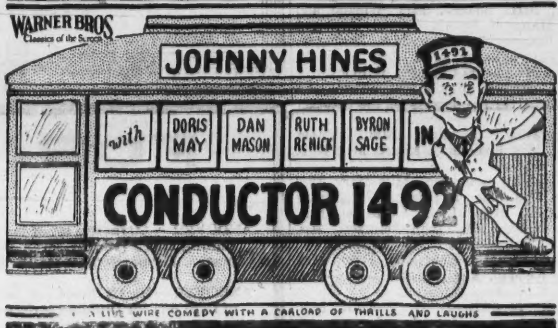
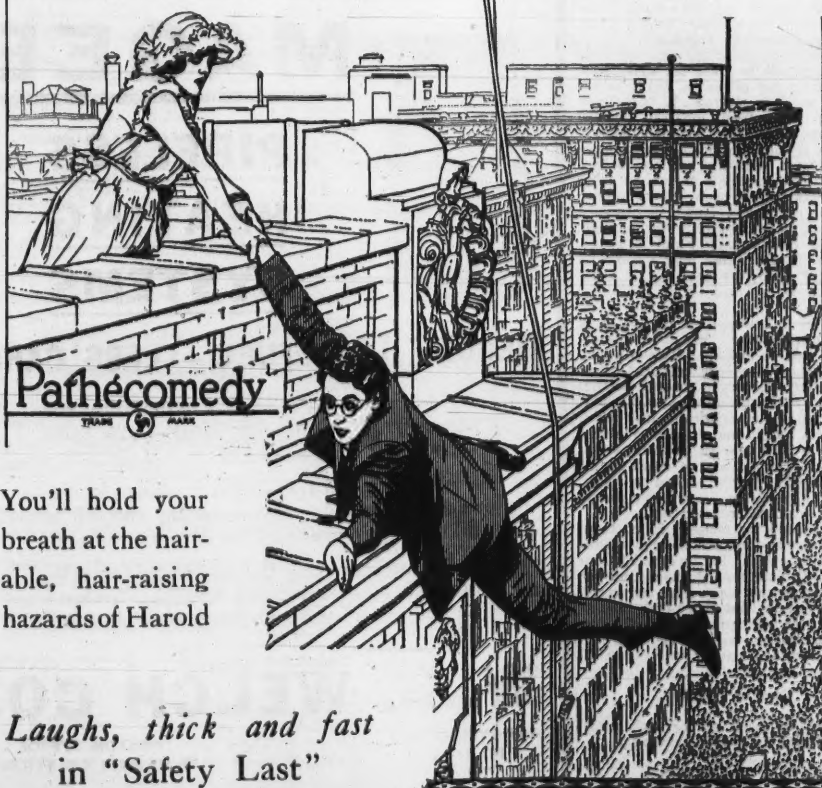
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The Postponed Meeting

Whatever else the town did at the postponed meeting on Saturday, it accomplished one progressive action which may overshadow the rest of the meeting. By its whole-hearted acceptance of Articles 17 and 19 it pledged itself definitely to the maintenance of a program of community recreation. That is a splendid thing for any town, particularly in it so for Andover, where unselfish community participation in sports may do much to bind the town together as a unit. The unselfish manner in which the Legion presented the article which they were sponsoring is also deserving of special commendation, perhaps not so much for the action which they accomplished as for the promise which that accomplishment gives of the service which the town may expect from that organization in the future.

Unofficial statements made since the meeting seem to point to the fact that the sponsors of the garbage article have by no means completed their work. At various times during the past year, the Townsman has advocated the adoption of some comprehensive plan for the disposal of garbage from the homes in the center of the town. It was thought that some definite action would result from the special meeting held in June, at which time the matter was referred to the Board of Public Works and the Board of Health as a joint committee to report at the meeting just past. Dr. Abbott writing prior to the June meeting expressed an opinion that no scheme could be successful unless it called for the appropriation of a considerable sum of money. He mentioned at that time the sum of \$5000.00 as a possible amount to care for the actual collection of the garbage, the question of disposal presumably costing a considerable amount in addition to that sum. It has been authentically stated that the collection of garbage and ashes in Shawshen alone cost almost the amount appropriated by the town last week. The Townsman is not displeased to see the article receive favorable support at a town meeting. Any action which makes for better health in our town is worthy of undivided support. It does hope, though, that those at the meeting who promised to care for the difficulties which seem to have prevented any action before this time, will be able to

produce a solution which will enable the problem to be handled effectively with the small appropriation which was made.

The town established an excellent precedent in its handling of Article 18. Whether or not the article would have received support had the piece of apparatus asked for not been specified, will always be an undecided question. Undoubtedly, a more careful drafting of the article would have done away with much of that type of mean insinuation which characterized the discussion of the article and which is so to be despised. Certainly the town does not mean by its action that it is averse to giving ample fire protection to Ballardvale. The article and its treatment should serve to emphasize three very important facts. First, every article in the warrant which can be presented by one of the town's boards, because the ground which that article covers falls under the jurisdiction of that board, should be presented to the meeting by the proper authorities and not by a group of interested but partially informed citizens. Action should be taken through the proper channels. Second, no article should be presented which in any way binds the town to purchase a certain trade-named product, even though the framers of the article may have a certain product in mind in framing the article. Third, if an article is of such nature that it is proper for a group of citizens to sponsor it directly, they should come to the meeting fully prepared with complete information on the subject which they are proposing. If nothing else had intervened to defeat Article 18, certainly the absence of any backers would have been sufficient in itself to cause the town to turn it down. This week's remarks would not be complete without some mention of the little ceremony which took place at the beginning of the meeting. It is a very difficult matter for a town to show its appreciation to a man like our retiring moderator who has, over a long period of years, served the town in such a capable manner. A rising vote seems to be and is a very inadequate expression of Andover's true feeling toward Mr. Ripley. The Townsman feels certain that while his remarks indicated that other duties were keeping him more out of touch with the town than he wished to be, his services will be given as freely in the future as they have been in the past to any worthy project which will make for the good of Andover.

Means Speaking

The fifty-seventh annual speaking for the Means prizes will be held in the Stone Chapel this evening at eight o'clock. The interest of the contest lies in the fact that the speakers, chosen mainly for their ability to write, are called upon to deliver their own essays. The speaking is of that direct, straight-from-the-shoulder type, free from artificiality, which is most effective in a contest of this kind or on any occasion where the wish of the speaker is to convey to his audience clearly and convincingly the truth of his message. A close contest is expected. The public are cordially invited. The program follows:

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Donald H. Ballou Chester, Vt.
Prohibition and the Duty of the Educated Man
William I. Kelly, Jr. New Haven, Conn.
The Political Career of Grover Cleveland
John M. Harlow Duluth, Minn.
Alan Lauchheimer Far Rockaway, N. Y.
The Futurity of War
John F. Robertson N. Tarrytown, N. Y.
The Negro Problem
Music
Donald P. Donaldson Lincoln
The Futurity of War
Edward W. Ames, Jr. Annapolis, Md.
The Open Mind
Henry C. Downing Louisville, Ky.
The Corfu Crisis
John F. Robertson N. Tarrytown, N. Y.
The Negro Problem
Music

The Committee of award for the contest is composed of Rev. Charles W. Henry, Colver Stone, and Augustus P. Thompson.

To Build on Essex Street Property

Batters are up on the land in the rear of the brick building on Essex street, opposite the postoffice for a two-family house. A. Azoonian is the owner of the land and buildings in the rear of the Colonial theatre and plans have been made to remove the barn and develop the property for residential purposes.

Farm and Garden Conference

The farm and garden conference held annually under the auspices of the November club will take place this year on Monday, April 7, at the clubhouse.

The list of speakers will include W. M. Craig of Weymouth, Harvey B. Greene of Lowell and Addison B. LeBoutillier of this town. Among the exhibits, there will be a collection of old pewter and copper. Any persons having articles which they are willing to lend are asked to notify Miss Irene Odlin. Persons desiring to exchange roots and bulbs should notify Mrs. James Selden or Mrs. Alden S. Foss.

A cafeteria luncheon will be served at one o'clock in charge of Mrs. A. B. LeBoutillier. The members of the committee in charge of the conference are Mrs. James Selden, Mrs. Alden S. Foss, Mrs. P. B. Whittemore, Mrs. John Avery, Miss Margaret Curran and Miss Irene Odlin.

Whist Party for Building Association

A very successful whist party was held in Odd Fellows hall Tuesday evening under the direction of the Fraternal Building association.

Eighteen tables were set for cards. The winners were as follows: Bid whist—lady's first, Mrs. Thomas E. Rhodes, a string of imported beads; second, Mrs. Susan Wood, an apron; consolation, Mrs. E. C. Edmunds; gentlemen's first, W. A. R. Gordon, flashlight; second, Walter Buxton, necktie; consolation, Frank Valentine.

Straight whist—lady's first, scissors, Mrs. Sadie Gaunt; second, apron, Mrs. David Forbes; consolation, Mrs. Fred Westcott; gentlemen's first, toilet water, Robert Cargill; second, cufflinks, Alex Duke; consolation, George Killackey.

The door prize, a shoe polish outfit, was won by Elmer Philbrick.

Following the whist refreshments of cake, cookies and coffee were served under the direction of Mrs. John True.

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side by side with the older people, was the message brought by Rev. Harry Stock, secretary of young people's work for the Congregational Education Society. Mr. Stock believes that by using young life the church will have the help of a great power, that youth will grow and take the church ahead of the place which it occupies today.

The devotional service at noon was led by Mrs. Henry Francis Smith, president of the Women's Home Missionary Association of Massachusetts.

A song service opened the afternoon session when familiar hymns were sung with accompaniments played by Mrs. Philip Ripley and Mrs. Henry C. Sanborn, piano, and Miss Susan Ripley, violin.

"New Forces in Old China" was the subject chosen by Miss Eunice Thomas, for several years a teacher in a girl's school in Wenshan, South China, where she is carrying on an important work in "one corner of the world parish." She described the country in which her school is situated as the most flowery part of the "Flowery Kingdom" where marigolds grow waist-high and poinsettias to the second story windows. She finds the girls most eager to learn. The enrollment has doubled in the last fifteen years, and interest is so sincere that one-third of the expense of the school is borne by the Chinese.

Miss Ada Chandler, for twenty-five years a missionary in China, told of her work in boys' school and of the great gathering which assembled to bid her farewell when she left for this country, a tribute which she considers paid to her as an American due at least in part to Japan's gratitude to America for her generosity at the time of the earthquake disaster. She considers that America's attitude at that time did more for world peace than any other act in recent years.

"Mahatma Gandhi represents today the feelings of more people in the world than any other man. He is the expression of a mighty upheaval of a people, a greater upheaval than that which took place in Japan," said Rev. John Bicknell in speaking of conditions in India and Ceylon. Mr. Bicknell has recently returned from Ceylon, where he was principal of a boys' school where the aim is not to convert to Christianity a few persons here and there but to Christianize the whole community and to set forces in operation which will eventually transform society.

A pleasant part of the afternoon's program was a musical number, Mozart's Piano Concerto in B flat played by Mrs. Henry C. Sanborn and Mrs. Philip L. Ripley.

The meeting closed with a benediction pronounced by Rev. Francis L. Cooper. At the noon hour, a basket luncheon was enjoyed at small tables set in the small vestry, which was charmingly decorated with spring flowers.

A luncheon was served to the specially invited guests who included Mrs. Henry Francis Smith, Miss Ruth Richards, Rev. Harry Stock, Miss Eunice T. Thomas, Rev. John Bicknell, Mrs. E. A. Burnham of Taunton; Mrs. C. B. Rice, Mrs. J. W. White, Mrs. Bonney, Mrs. Winkie and Mrs. Mann of Wakefield; and Rev. and Mrs. Francis L. Cooper, Mrs. Furlington, Miss Bertha Bailey, Miss Mary Alice Abbott and Miss Laura Chandler of Andover.

The members of the committees who contributed to the success of the occasion were:

Decorating committee—Mrs. Allison Morse, Mrs. Frederic G. Moore, Mrs. B. S. Flag.
Hospitality committee—Miss Mary Alice Abbott, Mrs. Frank L. Brigham, Mrs. James J. Abbott, Mrs. M. E. Guttererson, Mrs. Philip Ripley, Mrs. John Ferguson, Mrs. Joseph Kimball, Mrs. A. P. Thompson.
Luncheon—Mrs. George B. Frost, Mrs. Frank Kendall, Mrs. Herbert White, Mrs. G. M. R. Holmes.
Music—Mrs. Henry C. Sanborn, Mrs. Philip Ripley.

Transportation—Mrs. P. B. Whittemore, Mrs. Frank L. Brigham.
Reception—Mrs. V. D. Harrington, Mrs. Henry A. Bodwell, Mrs. Eugene M. Weeks, Mrs. Herbert Hill, Mrs. Maude Farlow, Mrs. Walter Thompson, Mrs. Louis Huntress, Miss Harriet Carter, Miss C. Madeleine Hewes, Miss Fannie Davis.

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Members of Natural History Society
Learn About Grafting

Twelve new members joined the Andover Natural History society at the regular meeting held in the Pynchard lecture room on Tuesday evening. The new members are Mr. and Mrs. Percival Dove, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Jenkins, Miss Beatrice Jenkins, Miss Evangeline Powell, Miss Annie Stone, Mrs. Joseph L. Putnam, Mrs. Andrew Kydd, and Mrs. Hannah R. Duncan.

The following committee was appointed by the president to revise the constitution and by-laws and present a report at the annual meeting: Myron E. Guttererson, Winthrop S. Boutwell, Jonathan Holt and Miss Clara A. Putnam. The desirability of adding a junior membership was discussed and the same committee will also make a report on this question. A vote was taken that it was not the sense of the meeting that the junior and senior memberships should not be two separate organizations. Nathan C. Hamblin, Mrs. Frank M. Foster, and Mrs. Cecilia Derrah were appointed a nominating committee to bring in a list of officers to be voted on at the annual meeting.

Winthrop S. Boutwell was the speaker of the evening, and gave a very interesting and practical talk on grafting. This is a very ancient art, having been practiced before the Christian era, many of the same methods being used at the present time. Grafting is used to propagate varieties of fruit which don't come true to seed, to change inferior varieties to good varieties, to grow several varieties on one tree and to repair girdled trees. An apple may be grafted on a pear, a pear on a quince, or a peach on a plum, but not a stone fruit on a seed fruit.

Mr. Boutwell has himself grafted thousands of trees and was able not only to give the theory of grafting, but by actual demonstration with branches and scions made the process so plain that many of his hearers will doubtless feel qualified to try their hand at renovating the fruit trees on the home place. His demonstrations included cleft grafting, bridge grafting and budding.

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Celebrates Eightieth Birthday

The eightieth birthday of Patrick Daly of Main street, was observed when a party was given at the home of his son, Dr. J. J. Daly, on Wednesday when Mr. Daly shared the honors with his small granddaughters, Josephine, who was celebrating her eighth birthday. On Sunday his sons and daughters and grandchildren will assemble for a family reunion.

Mr. Daly was the recipient of many tokens of affection and esteem from neighbors and friends who have known the family for many years. Among the gifts was a beautifully decorated birthday cake sent to him by The King's Daughters of the South church, and which he is cherishing as one of his best gifts.

Mr. Daly was born in Ireland, but came to this country about 65 years ago. He lived in Boston and later in Somersworth, N. H. For some years he plied his trade as a blacksmith, and later on was fireman on the railroad. Following an injury, he came to Ballardvale, where he lived until about thirty years ago, when he removed to Andover and built the Daly block and started his grocery store.

Mr. Daly turned over the store to his children, and kept his position as crossing tender at the Ballardvale crossing until about three years ago, when on account of ill health, he had to give it up. As crossing tender he was known to all the trainmen and cordially liked by everyone.

He was married 53 years ago, and shortly after the observance of the 50th anniversary of their marriage, his wife died. There are five children, Dr. J. J. Daly of this town, Dr. John A. Daly of Lynn, William and Julia Daly, who keep the store, and Mrs. D. J. Mullane of Boston; also seven grandchildren.

Mr. Daly's friends are many, and one and all wish him many more happy years with his family.

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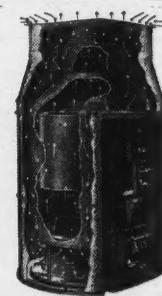
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PUNCHARD NOTES

Sophomore Class Tendered Dance

On Friday evening, March 14, the freshman class of Punchard gave a return party to the members of the class of '26. The hall was the scene of much merry-making and fun during the evening, and all present enjoyed the evening thoroughly. In the early part of the evening an amusing entertainment was presented by several members of the freshman class. This consisted of a comical sketch by Evelyn Miller and Margaret Graham, a recitation by Frances Metcalf and a sketch in colors by Joseph Basso and Basset. Miss Charlotte Gillispie played several piano selections, and Miss Annetta Anderson, in her solo dance, proved quite the best number on the program. The second dance of the evening was a leap year dance, but most of the maidens present were quite shy, probably owing to the fact that they hadn't witnessed many leap years.

Miss Helen Bickell and William McCoubrie proved the best dancers in the prize fox trot dance, and each became the possessor of a large box of candy.

During the evening refreshments of ice cream, candy, cake and fancy cookies were served by the following girls: May Fallon, Florence Babb, Irene McCarthy, Elizabeth Winters, Evelyn Miller and Frances Metcalf.

The matrons of the occasion were Mrs. Lundgren and Mrs. Elanger. Much credit for the success of the dance is due the members of the freshman social committee.

Lundgren's orchestra furnished music for the dance.

Among those present were: Helen Rieley, Frances Hall, Pamela Proctor, Bertha Carlson, May Fallon, May Elanger, Marjory West, Annie Jackson, Dorothy Evelyn Mason, Evelyn Miller, Daisy Stevens, Margaret Scott, Doris Gates, Florence Babb, Phyllis Clark, Eva Glavsky, Charlotte Gillispie, Mary Collins, Mildred Howard, Irene McCarthy, Elizabeth Winters, Frances Metcalf, Helen Bickell, Edna Albers, Annetta Anderson, Caroline Reed, Gertrude Berstein, Elizabeth Reed, Abbie Lewis, Ida Grover, Margaret Graham, Bessie Corrie, Doris Woodward, May McCarthy, Miss Mildred Burdett and Miss Gertrude Berry; Norman Hatch, Jackson Stone, Arthur Dennison, Daniel Doyle, Russell Blunt, Oscar Swenson, William McCoubrie, Philip Bruden, Richard Pratt, Irving Clark, George Dannels, Howard Trott, Duncan Graham, William Bradford, Luther Gulick, Alexander Stewart, William McDonald, Bernard English, James Galank, Francis Webb, Joseph Basso, Clyde Mears, Edward Brown, Richard Douglas, Malcolm Lundgren, William Simcoe, Walter Gordon, Irving Whitcomb, Arthur Mullen, Herbert Brown, and Norman Coutts.

Double Victory for Punchard

On Wednesday, March 19, in the Andover Guild the two basketball teams from Punchard again defeated the West Newbury teams. The Punchard boys were victorious by the score of 20-8. While the Newbury girls were defeated by the score of 25-13. This is the second time this year that the two teams have opposed each other, and the games were witnessed by several spectators.

It is expected that the Andover Guild will be filled to its utmost on March 26, when the Punchard teams again play Methuen. The Methuen girls were defeated the last time the two teams lined up against each other, and are most eager to prove victorious on this occasion.

Shawshen Co-operative Bank

The Shawshen Co-operative bank has announced the opening of the bank and its first series of shares.

Payments may be made up to and including Monday, April 7, 1924 at the home office of the bank, Shawshen Post-Office building, Room 9. This office will be open on the first Monday of each month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and also the preceding Saturday at the same hours. To accommodate those desiring to open accounts, the home office will be open also on April 3 and 4 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Payments may be made at the Andover National Bank daily after April 3. Loans will be made at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Subscriptions for shares and applications for loans should be made to Walter B. Wallis, treasurer, or to any of the directors.

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Farther Lights Banquet

The Farther Lights of the Baptist church held their annual banquet Monday evening in the church vestry. Caterer A. P. Weigel of Lawrence served a fine menu, consisting of cold meats, fritters, mashed potato, green peas, salad, rolls, relishes, coffee, ice cream and cake.

Following this an entertainment was given consisting of whistling solos by Mrs. Harry Norcott of Lawrence, accompanied by Mrs. Miller; readings by Marion Rice and piano solos by Gladys Dennison.

At the business meeting the following officers were elected: Mrs. John R. Bacon, president; Mrs. Everett M. Lundgren, vice president; Mrs. Joseph Lovejoy, secretary; Miss Alice Taylor, treasurer. Committees will be named at the next meeting which will be held with Mrs. Alexander Crockett, Reading road, Monday, April 14.

The committee in charge of this supper was Mrs. Marie Crockett, Mrs. Walter Rickard, and Mrs. Arthur Smith. The entertainment committee was Mrs. Joseph Lovejoy and Miss Alice Taylor.

Conundrum Supper

Following the regular meeting of Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge held Monday evening a conundrum supper was served which was attended by the public as well as members of the order. The real nature of the various dishes had to be guessed, which added to the zest of the supper. After much fun in guessing what was to come, the following dishes were served: C. O. D., Fish Chowder; March Hare, Welch Rabbit; Old Maids and Bachelors; Pickles; Love Thimbles; Doughnuts; Eden of Ireland, Fruit Salad; Boston Overthrow, Tea; Morning Glory; Coffee; Spring Offering, Water.

The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. Carl Elander, Miss Charlotte Hill, Mrs. George E. Holt, Mrs. James Edgar, Mrs. Edward Emslie, Mrs. Jessie Dunwoodie.

At the meeting held previous to the supper, plans for removal to the new building were talked over and it was decided to be in the new home by the first of April.

A rummage sale for the benefit of the treasury is to be held sometime in April, the date and place to be announced later.

A bean supper will be held by Indian Ridge lodge on Saturday evening in Garfield hall to which the public is cordially invited. Supper will be served from 5.30 until 7 o'clock.

Andover Club Leads

In a closely contested tournament between the members of the Andover Masonic Club and the Andover Club, held in the latter's quarters last night the Masonic club was defeated by one point, the score being 14 to 13.

The card teams were evenly matched with each club taking six points, and in pool points were again divided with three points apiece. The Andover club was strong in bowling, taking three of the four points, and in billiards they led three points to two.

The result of the meet hinged on the billiard match between William C. Crowley for the Andover Club and Fred G. Cheney for the Masonic Club. This match was watched with great interest by a large gathering. Mr. Crowley was in excellent form and won the match 100 to 52. Caterer Thomas E. Rhodes served refreshments of chicken patties, rolls, ice cream, coffee, doughnuts and cheese following the contest.

The scores:

	WHIST	A.C. M.C.
Hiland and Hill	79	77
Johnson and Cole	36	81
Chadwick and Corlies	82	66
Wallace and Marland	102	54
Kand and Elander	86	89
McCullum and Bodwell	76	73
Carter and Lundgren	46	54
Gillard and Dea	86	89
Pitman and Leslie	76	73
Higgins and Dick	46	54
Partridge and Bowman	76	73
Donald and MacDonald	46	54
Greeley and Wilson	76	73
Wormald and Coates	46	54
Maguire and Irving	76	73
R. Black and P. Cheney	70	89
Averill and Berry	86	82
Coutts and Cheever	82	89
Poland and McCarthy	82	89
Walker and Cannon	82	89

	BRIDGE	A.C. M.C.
Harrington and Winslow	3203	1477
Holmes and Nuttall	1477	3203
MARBLEDIDGE		
A. McTernan and Markey	223	649
J. Morrison and Knowles	649	223

	POOL	A.C. M.C.
Wormald	30	McCarthy 50
Clark	40	McKee 50
Sellers	35	Pomeroy 50
Wadman	50	Low 22

	BILLIARDS	A.C. M.C.
Wadman	100	Rivard 70
Yates	71	Hulme 100
Simmes	100	N. Chadwick 56
Christie	100	Stack 68
Cheney	60	Crowley 100
Sellers	100	S. Hulme 94
Todd	101	Hatch 100

	BOWLING	A.C. M.C.
Warden	105	95 282
O'Sullivan	82	104 96 282
Riley	95	75 98 286
Sullivan	88	104 91 264
Ross	89	82 93 283

	MASONIC CLUB	A.C. M.C.
Sherman	95	81 77 253
Carne	92	79 79 280
Lawson	79	80 79 238
Preston	98	99 90 287
Hardy	100	96 93 284

	SUMMARY	A.C. M.C.
Bowling	1	3
Whist	3	3
Pool	3	3
Billiards	3	2
	13	14

Father and Son Banquets Tonight

Grenfell Chapter X. B. K. will hold the annual Father and Son night with a banquet this evening in the Free church parish house. A fine banquet will be served at 6.30 after which H. W. Gibson of Boston, state secretary of boys, will speak. His address will be followed by games which may be participated in by the fathers as well as the sons, and community singing. All men and boys of the church are asked to attend by the chapter.

The Men's club of the South church will hold a Father and Son night this evening. Capt. Armistead Russ of the Nautical Training School Ship Nantuxet will be the speaker.

Opens Doctor's Office

Dr. John J. Hartigan, an Andover boy born and bred, just graduated from the Boston City hospital, has opened offices at 89 Main street, formerly the home of Dr. C. W. Scott, and is ready for patients.

Dr. Hartigan was born in this town in 1893, a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hartigan. He was educated in the public schools and was graduated from Phillips Academy in the class of 1913. Deciding to be a doctor, he attended Tufts college and Medical school from which he was graduated in 1922, and since that time he has been in the Boston City hospital. He will be a general practitioner but will specialize on heart troubles.

Dr. Hartigan is married and will temporarily make his home at 89 Main street, until the Carpenter apartments are ready when he will move both his office and his residence to that building.

Favor Party at Guild

The senior girls of the Andover Guild held a very successful St. Patrick's favor party Tuesday evening in the gym which was decorated with green and white streamers. More than fifty couples were present.

One of the features was an elimination dance and Luke May and partner Miss Sadie MacLeish, were awarded prizes in the contest.

Several novelty dances were held and favors of green aprons were given to the young ladies and pipes and green bows to the young men. Refreshments of punch and cake were served at intermission.

Arch. Rayne played for dancing and Chris Murphy entertained with a solo and dance.

The following young ladies were in charge: Etta Brown, Anna Ness, Jessie Bissett, Sadie MacLeish, Jean MacLeish and Katherine Sweeney.

Clan Johnston Notes

The regular meeting and roll call of the clan will be held this evening in Garfield hall at 7.30. This will be the last meeting in the present quarters.

The clan is preparing a minstrel show to be given at the opening of the new Fraternal building on Park street under the direction of William Walker and Past Chief Alfred Robb. All the organizations of the Fraternal Association will be guests.

A dance will be held in the Guild house for the Clan's quota to the building association Wednesday evening, March 26. Malcolm Lundgren's orchestra will play.

Masonic Bazaar

The award of many valuable prizes drew a record-breaking crowd on Friday night at the close of the successful two-day bazaar held for the Masonic Temple fund. The winning number for the hope chest was held by Mrs. Stephen Gillard of 28 Chestnut street, in the name of her sister, Mrs. J. Nayasith of Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa. Fred E. Keuhner drew the numbers which decided the prize-winners.

Other awards were as follows:

Ton of coal, won by Mrs. Clifford Dannels, 225 Main street.

20-lb. tub of butter, won by James Walker, Haverhill street, Shawshen village.

Suit length, men's wear, won by Frank P. Higgins, 25 High street.

Bed lamp, won by Edward W. Weeks, 19 Wolcott avenue.

Ferns and fern hamper, won by Miss Bella Smith, 23 Chestnut street.

Pair of field glasses, won by William B. Cheever, 63 Chestnut street.

Book ends won by James R. Mosher, Balmoral street, Shawshen village.

Bed puff, won by Mrs. A. E. Mackay, 265 Haverhill street, Lawrence.

Embroidered table runner, won by G. Roderick Cannon, 54 Salem street.

Eastern Star pillow, won by Jean Harrington, 18 Chapel avenue.

Embroidered pillow, won by Mrs. Samuel A. Stubbs, 176 North Main street.

Crib blanket, won by Carl E. Elander, Elm street.

Baby carriage robe, won by Charles E. Foster, Lupine road.

Basket of groceries, won by Mrs. Jean Wood, Red Spring road.

Sweater won by Edward H. Berry, 56 Maple avenue.

Leather trimmed straw hat, won by Mrs. Walter M. Lamont, Lowell street, Shawshen village.

Bag of flour, won by Mrs. Franklin B. Belcourt, 10 Summer street.

Fancy decorated cake, won by Harold Austin, 37 High street.

Mahogany butterfly tray, won by W. W. Prower, 20 Arundel street, Shawshen village.

Beaded bag won by Mrs. George E. Hussey of 5 Chestnut street.

Doll, won by Mary Francis, 24 Central street.

The donors were: Ton of coal, Jerome W. Cross; 20-lb. tub of butter, I. R. Kimball; suit length, Joseph H. Higginson; ferns and hamper, J. H. Playdon; book ends, Treat Hardware Co.; embroidered pillow, Miss Phyllis Cunningham; Eastern Star pillow, Mrs. William Kidd; fancy-decorated cake, Fred Blaisdell of West's bakery; mahogany butterfly tray, with Charles S. Buchan; field glasses, Frank J. Kefferstein.

During the evening music was furnished by Malcolm Lundgren's orchestra. At four o'clock in the afternoon and at eight o'clock in the evening, both children and grown-ups were entertained by a Punch and Judy show.

A good business was done at all the booths. Late in the evening a few articles were auctioned off by Chester E. Foster.

Ben Franklin Allen to Read "The Fool"

The members of Grenfell Chapter, X. B. K. are planning to present through Ben Franklin Allen, an illustrated lecture-recital of "The Fool," in the Free church, on Wednesday evening, March 26, at eight o'clock.

"The Fool" is the play which had a record run in Boston and New York. While being played in New York, Ben Allen made arrangements with the author of the play, Channing Pollock, to have pictures made, and he has now developed a special lecture-recital version of the play adapted to his peculiar abilities.

Mr. Allen is a fine speaker and has traveled all over the United States, Canada and foreign countries. The following words of commendation have been spoken of him: "The London News calls him, 'A Man of Mirth and a Missionary'." The Journal of Belfast, Ireland says, "He is a Prophet." The Spokesman at Vancouver, B. C., calls him "The best we have had from the United States."

The Mayor of Holyoke said after his lecture, "It is the most satisfactory we have ever had."

Tickets will be for sale at a small charge in a few days and the committee suggests that they be purchased early, as the demand is sure to be large. Tickets may be obtained from the members of the Chapter. The committee in charge consists of Rev. A. S. Wheelock, chairman; James Morton, James Smythe, Stewart Fraser, William Barnet, Wilfred Swenson.

Eighty-Second Birthday Observed

Mrs. Jane E. Waites observed her 82nd birthday on Sunday, March 16, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Holden, 281 South Main street. She received many callers in the afternoon, including several of the young people of the E. S. of the Baptist church, who sang favorite hymns, and the Pastor, Rev. C. Norman Bartlett, who offered prayer.

Among the many gifts received was a beautifully decorated birthday cake inscribed 1842-1924, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pullan. Potted plants and cut flowers were sent by friends and neighbors, beside gifts of money from her family.

Guests were present from Methuen, Ballardvale, and Andover.

Christ Church Notes

Boone University is among the foremost institutions of education in all China. On Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock one of its staff will speak in Christ church at the 10:30 a.m. service. He has an interesting story to tell. His name is Dr. Paul Wakefield and he has charge of the student medical work at Boone University. One of the objects of his visit to the East is to investigate what is being done in that particular here in Massachusetts.

The next three evening services in Christ church will have three addresses by the rector and three soloists who are well known. The choir of the church will sing. The program beginning on Sunday is:

March 23—"The Problems of the Church," soloist, John Hill.

March 30—"Misinformation in Histories and Newspapers," soloist, Everett Collins.

April 6—"The Present Challenge to Christian People," soloist, John Nolan.

These services will begin at 7:30 o'clock. At the same hour on Sunday, April 13, the choir will sing Stainer's "Crucifixion." The soloists will be Leland Gates and Thomas Parkinson.

Miss Marston of Boston met a group of women from Christ church and neighboring parishes on Wednesday in the parish house for the first of the class sessions to study "The Country of Japan and its Missions." The next meeting will be in All Saints church, Methuen, on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

Marriage

March 15, 1924, by Rev. F. A. Wilson, at 34 Essex street, Russell Pearl Beale of Manchester, N. H., and Frances Catherine Bailey of Methuen.

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ABBOTT VILLAGE

Miss Jessie Haddon of Essex street, visited in Boston recently.

Alex Gibson of Shawheen road has moved his family to Lawrence.

Miss Lena Demary of Cuba street, spent the week-end with friends in Boston.

Albert Sharpe of Red Spring road, has returned to work after a few days illness.

Tom Hughes of Brechin terrace has entered the employ of Smith & Dove company.

James Thomson of Essex street, has moved his family to the Rennie Farm on Argilla road.

Mrs. Alice Brougham of Connecticut, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Keith of Essex street.

Mrs. Jean Wood of Red Spring road, won the basket of groceries given at the Masonic bazaar last Friday.

John Page is visiting relatives in Quincy, prior to his departure for Scotland on Sunday, March 23.

Mrs. Joseph Soutar of Melrose, visited her mother, Mrs. Isabella McLaughlin of Red Spring road, Tuesday.

John Sullivan of Red Spring road, is enjoying a respite from his duties in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue in Boston.

William Corey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Corey of Cuba street, slipped and cut his face above the eye, the injury requiring several stitches.

A meeting of the dressmaking class, under the direction of Miss Tucker, was held at the Hillside, Monday afternoon. There was a good attendance and a pleasant afternoon was spent.

John B. Keith, Jr., two-months' old son of John and Winnifred Keith, died Wednesday morning, at the family home, 68 Essex street, after two weeks' illness with pneumonia. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the late home at 3.30 o'clock. Burial was in the family lot in Spring Grove cemetery.

Suffers Loss in Lawrence Fire

Dave Hackney, "pro" at the M.V.C.C., Methuen, lost his personal belongings in the Treat Hardware fire last week. He lost his prize golf clubs, the ones he smashed records

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with at the local course. Dave has been conducting an indoor school for golf at the Treat store all winter. He was on his last few weeks when fire visited his "links."

WEST PARISH

Priscilla Cutler is at her home on Lowell street, for the spring recess.

The R. P. C. Club will meet with Lena Davis, High Plain road, on Monday evening.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Myrtle Livingston is having trouble with her foot again, necessitating another operation.

The Christian Endeavor society will meet at the parsonage on Sunday evening. Harry Northey will be the reader for the evening.

Fannie S. Lewis who is doing District Nurse work in Boston, was at her home on Lowell street, for a visit this week Wednesday.

The Merrill Chapter X. B. K. met in the West Church Vestry on Monday evening. The attendance was good and the interest keen. Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Mondays.

A food sale was held by one of the vestry fund groups in Ames' butter store on Thursday. The members of the committee in charge were Mrs. Austin Huggins, Mrs. George D. Ward, Mrs. George Baxter, Mrs. Nellie E. Moor and Mrs. John Buchan.

The Boy's club met with Lena Davis on Wednesday evening. Those present were Lena Davis, Elwood Northey, Walter F. Lewis, Clarence Moor, Allan Milnes, James Milnes, Christopher Mueller. Games were played and a general good time enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served.

The play, "Suppressed Desires," will be presented by Lawrence talent under the auspices of the Lafollet club on March 28, at Grange hall. The proceeds will be for the vestry fund. A small table of fancy articles and home-made candy contributed by the members of the club will be offered for sale. Dancing will follow the play. Tickets are now on sale price, 35 cents.

The Ladies' Aid society will hold a special sewing meeting at the home of Mrs. Winthrop S. Boutwell. A large attendance is desired. As spring housecleaning approaches many housekeepers will find things which they will discard. It is asked that these articles be saved for the rummage sale planned for in the fall to increase the vestry fund. Any and every thing can be used.

Andover Grange will meet on Tuesday evening. The program for the evening in charge of Past Master and Mrs. Harry A. Wright and Past Lecturer and Mrs. Herbert Carter will be a "Box party." Each lady is asked to carry a box containing a lunch for two and each gentleman is asked to be ready to buy one or more boxes. The proceeds will go towards the installation of the new lighting system planned by the Grange.

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10.30. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Sunday school to follow.
7.04. Union service.
7.30 Wednesday. Prayer meeting.

Mrs. John Shevlin is ill at her home on Center street.

Herbert Mott has recovered from his recent illness.

Mrs. E. J. Knox and son left the O'Donnell sanatorium on Sunday.

Misses Marion and Ada Matthews spent the week-end at their home on Andover street.

Miss Kate West who has been spending two weeks with friends in town returned today to Salem, N. H.

A son was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. George Mercure of Shawheen road, Andover, at the O'Donnell sanatorium.

A son was born March 2, to Mr. and Mrs. William Lee of Boston. Miss Lee was formerly Miss Lavina Walker of this town.

A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Crowther of Medford. Mrs. Crowther was formerly Miss Florence Mott of this town.

Lenten devotions will be held at St. Joseph's church this evening at 7.45 o'clock and will consist of stations of the cross, benediction and sermon.

The Epworth league of the M. E. church will hold a bakery and candy sale in William Stark's market Saturday morning. The social committee will be in charge.

One round from box 21, located on Dacombe road, was sounded at 9.30 Tuesday morning. The firemen responded and found it to be a false alarm caused by wire trouble.

The weekly meeting of the Men's Brotherhood was held in the Methodist church vestry Tuesday evening with William Bancroft, presiding. After the reading of reports and the transaction of other business a rehearsal was held.

The Willing Workers of the Methodist church are preparing for a sale and entertainment which will be given in the Community room on Friday evening, March 28. A play entitled "Rev. Mr. Brice Bachelor," will be given with a cast of seven characters.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church will be held on April 2. The following will serve on the nominating committee: Miss Emily Tracy, chairman; Mrs. R. M. Haynes, Mrs. Clester Matthews, Mrs. George R. Miller and Mrs. Daniel H. Poor.

The Junior Helpers of the Congregational church met in the vestry on Monday afternoon. A fine missionary meeting was held. In the absence of the president Miss Norma Matthews presided. There were eighteen members present. An interesting letter was read from Miss Caroline Sewall, a missionary in Japan, and the study of that country was continued.

A meeting of the Anti-Saloon league will be held in the Congregational church this evening at 7.30. There will be an address on prohibition and law enforcement illustrated by moving pictures. A cordial invitation to anyone is extended to attend this lecture which comes highly recommended. No admission will be charged.

A Father and Son banquet will be held at the Methodist church this evening. This is for men of the church and all boys of the Sunday school over twelve years of age. Each man will bring his son or some other boy. Supper will be served in the vestry at 7 o'clock, which will be followed by an address in the church by Rev. Mr. Phillips of the Robinson Memorial church of Malden.

Father and Son Service

A Father and Son service was held Sunday evening at the Methodist church with a large attendance.

Rev. Clifford W. Reynolds took for his subject "From Father to Son," and brought a fine message to those present. The subject was illustrated with stereoscopic views of the return of the Prodigal Son.

A fine musical program was given by the men's chorus also by a chorus of young people consisting of Anita Wells, Edith Moss, Florence Sanborn, Mrs. Clifford W. Reynolds, Carl Wells and Andrew Coffin.

B. H. L. Club Meets

The B. H. L. Club of the Methodist church met in the vestry Monday evening with fourteen members present. John Russell presided at the business session which was routine in nature.

A nominating committee was appointed by the president to nominate officers for the next six months: E. W. Brown, Walter Noble and Robert Baker were appointed to nominate the officers. A membership committee was appointed and a drive for new members will be made.

Stories were read by the pastor Rev. Clifford W. Reynolds.

St. Patrick's Costume Party Held

A St. Patrick's costume party was held in the Community rooms Monday evening and was one of the most successful of the season's parties. Dancing was enjoyed from 8 to 12 to music furnished by Coyne's orchestra. The hall was beautifully decorated with St. Patrick's colors.

A grand march led by Miss Rose Scanlon and Burton Abbott was a feature of the occasion and showed the attractive and original costumes to advantage. Favors of green balloons were given.

Special favors for the prettiest costumes were awarded to Raymond Platt and Fred Sanborn, who were dressed as a Dutch couple, and Raymond Keating as a Chinaman.

Lodge to Attend Lecture

The regular session of Ballardvale lodge No. 105, I. O. G. T., was held in Good Templar hall, Monday evening with Chief Templar, Mrs. Frances Benson in the chair. An invitation from Rev. Augustus H. Fuller to attend the prohibition lecture to be given by the Anti-Saloon league Friday evening was read. It was voted to accept the invitation and the lodge will attend in a body.

TOWN MEETING

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wanted a Reo pump and he thought that that was as good as there was. I didn't know anything about the Reo pump, and I don't know where to get one. I should have inquired of the town engineer. I had myself to buy a Reo pump until it is investigated. The trouble with that pump that didn't work, was that there were new lines laid and we got it continually stopping up the outlet. We had to keep taking away the dirt and that is what hurt the pump so that it was the opinion of the engineer that the pump should be replaced by a better condition than it was before. And if the town wants a pump down there at Ballardvale it would be fine to have it, and Andover would benefit too. As far as the Reo part goes, I don't know anything about the Reo part of it. I didn't have the article put into the town warrant. I don't believe we should bind the town to buy any one pump. It should be the best anyway.

Henry A. Bodwell: It seems very much as if this question had been poorly considered, particularly when we hear that the chief of the fire department knew nothing about the thing before it is brought before the town for action. I believe we should give this very much to consideration before we say whether we need this apparatus. In regard to the equipment at Ballardvale, I am told that tests have been made which show that at Ballardvale the static pressure is 122 pounds which will deliver with four streams about 1,000 gallons a minute. We have a pair of horses and a hose wagon, and pressure sufficient to take care of any fire in the initial stages. With the motor apparatus that we have here, we have felt that it is not a question of Ballardvale requiring something, but that it is the question of a part of the town being protected, and we have felt that they are as well protected as other outlying portions of the town, and as well protected as some parts of Shawheen Village.

We must stop and think about what we are getting to. We have already a tax rate, as I have checked up what we have done so far, of \$28.80, and this will bring it up about 30 or 40 cents more on a thousand. If we need these things, of course we must get them, but I hope the town will stop and give this thing careful consideration. I hope the motion will prevail to refer this back.

Mr. Traynor: My friend, the chief, named the party who put that in the warrant. Did I understand him to say Mr. Wells?

Mr. Emerson: I said Mr. Wells came to me about it, but I don't know who put it in the warrant.

Mr. Bodwell: There is a commission attached to this deal and I want to know where the commission is going. I might want to be in on it myself.

Moderator: There is much merit in the gentleman's inquiry, but the article as stated is put in on petition of the residents of Ballardvale, and the clerk informs me that it was sent in by mail. Further than that, we cannot inform him.

Mr. Bodwell: I am going to amend that article and ask that the words "Reo Speed Wagon Chassis" be stricken out. The fire chief has now expressed his opinion that this apparatus would be a mighty good thing to have in Ballardvale, and that they need it. The citizens of Ballardvale have come forward and asked to have an apparatus that sum of money because there seems to be some apprehension on the part as to the protection they are getting in Ballardvale, in case of fire. It seems to me that having heard the opinion of the chief engineer, and the citizens of Ballardvale wanting this fire apparatus, and having in mind the poor apparatus they have there now, we are ancient reasons to go ahead. It is for the sole purpose of giving the citizens of Ballardvale full protection from fire hazard, and this article as amended should be adopted by the town.

Mr. O'Connell: I think the substance of Mr. Traynor's objection deserves some consideration in this group today. As to the question of the fire department, I don't know anybody seems to know at present, and I don't know the exact mechanics by which an article gets into the warrant, but somebody is going to be terribly disappointed about this affair, because the wagon is out in the yard below, so I am informed, and a great many people are under the impression that we have already been purchasing it. I trust we will postpone the matter for another year and purchase some apparatus after the investigation this present year. It might be interesting for the Selectmen to find out the history of the article in the meantime.

Mr. Cheney: There seems to be some uncertainty as to the actual need of this fire apparatus. The chief says he would like to see it there, but it is questionable whether we can afford it. Five thousand dollars is a lot of money, and I think this whole article ought to be referred to the Board of Fire Engineers.

Mr. McBride: Don't forget that in the early part of this meeting you appropriated \$25,000 for the fire department. Now if you get this truck you will require two extra permanent men with a salary of \$3,000, or \$1,800 apiece, and then you will need some in charge at \$2,000. It is not only a question of purchasing fire apparatus in Ballardvale, but you will be spending \$10,000 before you get through. I hope the recommendation of the finance committee stands.

(Voted unanimously to refer for investigation and report next year.)

Article 19.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate forty-five hundred (\$4500) dollars to erect bleachers and to provide playground accessories for the Playstead, to be expended as the Town may direct, on petition of Andover Post, No. 8 American Legion, and others.

Joseph A. McCarthy: I move the adoption of this article, and that the money be spent under the direction of the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Crowley: Just twenty-two years ago we came into town meeting and appropriated money for a Playstead and it was my pleasure some twenty-two years ago to lay out the diamond that is there now. We dumped on some loads of gravel and made some tennis courts, and since then I don't think there has been a dollar spent on the place except to mow the grass. A year ago Mr. Boutwell had a group of citizens sign a note for \$3,000 to buy the Cunningham property in expectation of taking it over. They are in an unfortunate position at the high school. There is Phillips Academy at one side here they have spent \$100,000 for a big bleacher. There is the Shawheen playing field on the other side with a wonderful field and steel bleachers, and we can't afford to send these young men to play their annual game at Shawheen. The coach there is getting discouraged, and last year we only played two games at the Punched grounds. Newburyport came here with 1,000 people and they had no place to sit down, but had to wallow round in mud ankle deep. This year they are making preparations to have five or six games and it isn't fair to ask them to play there under those conditions. It is only fair to these young men that we develop

that playstead. I understand that the Board of Public Works are coming in with a proposed plan for next year, but the fact that we might build these bleachers now won't interfere with any plan whatever that they will bring in in the future. There won't be any trouble about moving them if they are built in sections, and if they are built at the end near the Cunningham property it will be easy to move them over. You have got your swimming pool, but the time has come when the citizens of Andover will have to begin to do more for their public developments to take care of the children. Here are all the children that we turn loose on the 14th of June, with nowhere for them to go. We sometimes criticize Lawrence, but they have a yard where the children can go and be taken care of. I hope this amount of \$4,500 will be appropriated.

Frank Markey: This article embraces two articles, and asks for \$4,000 for bleachers and \$500 for accessories. The first project originated in our organization and the second at the suggestion of prominent citizens in the town who had anticipated coming here asking for similar appropriations. The five hundred dollars would cover the building of sand boxes, chutes, swings, etc., which could be placed in the school grounds and would be a nucleus of a playground which could be developed annually at a small expenditure of money, where our children could go in the summer and other times and enjoy in a small degree privileges and benefits that children elsewhere get in a greater degree. The \$4,000 would cover putting up bleachers with a seating capacity of 1,000 seats. That is a fair price for a very suitable bleacher similar to those now used at Phillips Academy. They could be placed at the first and third base lines of the baseball field and easily moved at the football season to the other side of the football field. At the present time there is a small grandstand with a roof sloping towards the diamond rather than away from it, so that the view is obstructed and it is very inadequate. We will have in the high school this year alone an enrollment of 300, and where would 225 seats go with 9,000 people? Heretofore those of you who have gone to the playstead had to sit on the dusty ground or in automobiles or any place available in order to see the games, and the most deplorable lack of our bleachers is the fall when the field is more than half the time soggy and covered with water. We stand in the mud and water and watch the high school play football and I don't think the playstead is worthy of the name until you put in sufficient seats to make it a real playground. The building of bleachers would be a great move towards the development of athletics in Andover. Our government used to spend a great deal of time and money to have the men devote themselves to athletics and outdoor sports. After the armistice, especially abroad, the morale went down very low when the boys were waiting to get back, and the government coped with this problem by being very lavish with money for athletics and recreation in the cantonments so that lots of time could be given over to athletics. It is now time that Andover made a start in this way by putting the bleachers on the playstead. I don't agree with the finance board when they disapprove this article. Why, a blind man can see that we need seats on the playstead. These bleachers can be easily moved to fit into their place. The development of the playstead certainly needs study, but why not have our bleachers while the study is going on? The Legion are sponsoring this article in the hope that you will not look at it from the sentimental standpoint necessarily, but look at it from the standpoint of a duty to yourselves. It means nothing to the Legion individually or collectively, but it means something to every citizen. Look at it also from the standpoint of courtesy to our visitors. This would be the right move towards the athletic movement and the beginning of a new era of community spirit.

Rev. Arthur S. Wheelock: I am interested in this article as a member of the American Legion, and because I think it will improve the health and morals of our young people. We have heard a good deal of discussion as to what the members of the American Legion wanted for a memorial, and it developed that there was a good deal of dispute among them as to what they actually did want, but here is a project which they are unanimously behind. They are all for it and have fully made up their minds about it. Here the town has a chance to get behind the American Legion and accept their proposition. It may perhaps seem a sentimental reason, but I, for one, think sentiment has its place. It is just as well to see a little in times of peace as when you are asking men to fight. But from the practical standpoint, this thing has great merit. I believe in the development of the life of the young people. We found out in the time of war that it was necessary for our country to have strong, sturdy men, and we found to our shame that 50 per cent of the young men in this country were not capable of bearing arms because of their lack of health, and there is no question but what proper physical development comes from the play and sport in school days. The proper development of our youth is therefore one thing that we ought to be greatly concerned in, and I believe that this particular thing will help to develop athletic contests in this town and improve the physical health of the young people. We also know that when young people are interested in outdoor sports they keep so busy that they have no time for temptations and for getting into mischief. That is another thing you learn in days of war. I served as a chaplain in the war and I learned that the soldiers should be kept busy playing in their idle time. It is an equally good thing to keep our own people playing outdoors, and I am very heartily in favor of it. So far as the money end of it is concerned, perhaps some members of the town meeting do not know that already the American Legion has turned back practically \$3,800 to the treasury of the town, that was granted for rental. We were under no legal obligation to turn that money back, as it was given without any strings and we could have kept it, but we returned it because we didn't want to take money away from the town under false pretenses. But I do think that in view of that, the American Legion has a moral right to say how that money should be spent, as they have really contributed indirectly towards this project, and taking into account the \$3,800 turned back we are asking for only \$700 from the pocketbooks of the town.

Mr. Traynor: I was sorry to hear that Reo truck go away outside here, because it made such a noise I couldn't hear when the speaker was speaking. I believe that the boys should have anything that we can give them because they are our American boys. I also believe that they ought to be given this money to be expended under their own jurisdiction, according to the fact that they have turned back \$3,800. If you turn this money over, as we are in the habit of doing, to the Board of Public Works, those men won't spend that money as well as the American Legion would. They won't give

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, SS. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of John O. Collins late of Andover in said County, deceased, Intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Elizabeth Collins of Andover in the County of Essex without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the seventh day of April A.D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, HARRY R. DOW, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, Jr., Register

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, SS. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Frederick M. Clark late of Andover in said County, deceased, Intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Anna R. Clark of Andover in the County of Essex without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the seventh day of April A.D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, SS. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Margaret E. Abbott late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament and a memorandum of said deceased have been presented to said Court for probate, by George Richard Abbott who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the seventh day of April A.D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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HORACE H. ATHERTON, Jr., Register

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, SS. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Ann Conway late of Andover in said County, (wife of Patrick W. Conway) deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Mary Conway McQuade who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, as Mary Conway, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the thirty-first day of March A.D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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us a hundred cents for the dollar as the American Legion do. I hope this money will be spent under the auspices of the American Legion with the assistance of the Board of Selectmen. Take it away from the Board of Public Works. They only waste it.

Moderator: I take it that the last speaker knew that a gift by the town to the Legion would be entirely contrary to our power, and I trust he did not mean to make an amendment to that effect.

Mr. Traynor: I will make it as a motion that it be spent under the direction of the Selectmen.

(Seconded.)

Mr. McBride: I rise to object to such insinuations being cast on our Board of Public Works. They are our representatives and I see no reason for such remarks before this meeting. They are there and you put them there, and there is not one among them who is not a gentleman. Don't sit there and let such ideas away you. You have a right to prefer charges against them and go into the court and be given a chance to prove your charges, but I hope you vote that motion down, every man and woman in this house. (Applause.)

Mr. Wheelock: I feel quite confident that the great majority of us have every confidence in the Board of Public Works. It is quite true that they are our representatives and if this is their job let it be given to them.

Moderator: I would remind the meeting that the park commissioners went out of

existence some time ago and that our parks and playsteads are now under the charge of the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Rogers: I used to be a member of the Board of Public Works, and I always found them upright and honorable in all their dealings. If he has got some particular charge, let him make it. I think it is too bad that the Board of Public Works should be brought forward before this meeting in this way. I know them from A to Z and they are all right. I hope this article will go just as it reads now.

Mr. McBride: That motion was unconstitutional.

Mr. Rhodes: I question whether you can take out of the hands of the Board of Public Works the business given to them by law. The park system is under the Board of Public Works and playsteads come under the park system, and I fail to see how you can have any other board do the work that comes under their department. You might just as well say we can instruct our selectmen to lay out water mains and look out for our water system. That amendment is not justified while the Board of Public Works have their function granted them by law.

Mr. McCarthy: We left this rather indefinite in the article.

(Amendment lost. Original motion to appropriate \$4500 carried unanimously.)

Article 20.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding three thousand (\$3000) dollars for the installing of a new twenty (20) ton scale, on petition of Harry H. Remick and others.

Mr. Crowley: Mr. Remick is responsible for this article, and he just handed me a

came in the following letter:—

(Mr. Crowley reads letter from The Fairbanks company, giving quotations for a 20-ton, type "A", railroad pattern auto truck scale.)

I might say that I will hand this to the Board of Selectmen. Perhaps they have had some correspondence with Mr. Meredith of the State Department with regard to the advisability of installing a new scale. The department of Public Works in checking the amount of traffic from Reading and Andover through Lawrence, found that the scales were not sufficiently large and they came near breaking the scale.

Moderator: The moderator does not understand that there is any motion before the meeting.

Mr. Bodwell: I move this article be referred to the Board of Selectmen.

(Seconded and so voted.)

Article 21.—To see if the Town will accept as a town way, as laid out by the Selectmen, and shown on plan filed with the Town Clerk, a street located on the northerly side of Chestnut Street about one hundred and twenty-two feet easterly of land of Burr and running northerly to Summer Street, on petition of Llewellyn D. Pomeroy and others.

Mr. Rhodes: As one of the petitioners I am requested to put this before the meeting. This article of course is one that does not require an appropriation. This street runs between Chestnut street and Summer street northerly, and as you are aware between Whittier and Avon street giving access to a tract of land large enough for about twenty house lots. The same thing came up last year and was thrown out, for what reason I don't know. It is really a

business proposition to the town of Andover, a revenue-producing proposition. I will give you an illustration what has resulted so far in this very small development. In 1921 this property was valued at \$2,800 and brought in an income of \$74.76. This year the estimated value of this property, with only the little development that is on it, is \$21,050, with its estimated income to be \$335.41, an increase of 700 per cent already in developing the land over what it was. This street is 716 feet long. They have already installed 308 feet of sewer, and the same amount of private water service. They have already built two houses on this property and two others that are connected with this development, and there are six lots sold. The Pasho land and the F. E. Dodge estate are included in the development. We all know that expenditures come generally before incomes; it is the same in all propositions. No money is being asked at this time but of course the town will have to lay out money eventually. What is the probable value of this property when it is fully developed? I think the lowest estimate would be a value of \$100,000, which at a tax rate of \$20 per thousand would mean \$2,000 a year. What would be the probable expenditure on this street by the town within a period of twenty years? To lay the water main the length of this street would cost \$1,200, from which the income would probably be about \$200 to \$250 a year. It would probably not be more than \$4,000 that the town would have to pay but on that \$4,000 they would eventually receive an income of 50 per cent. Now I think that should be the way to look at this proposition, that it is an income proposition. So I move that this article be adopted.

(It was so voted.)

Article 22.—To see if the Town will vote to change the name of that part of Poor Street, running from Main Street southwesterly to Corbett Road, to Oxford Street, on petition of George H. Winslow and others.

George H. Winslow: I move this article be adopted.

Mr. McNulty: It seems a pity to change this. Practically all the old names have been already wiped out. Poor street is one of the oldest streets in Andover and at one time it was the main highway. And the old Andover family settled there 120 years ago, for a period of 60 years conducting a carriage factory there on the site of the estate now called "Aberfoyle." Then we had one of our country commissioners by that name, and some of their descendants today still live in North Andover. There is certainly a lot of sentiment attached to the name in Andover and the name should still live. That name ought to stand just as it is out of respect to that family and what it has meant to Andover in the past.

Mr. Burns: I have the greatest respect for old families and old family names, but it seems to me that here is a matter which is brought before this meeting on the petition of Mr. Winslow and the development there in Shawshen Village is such that we ought to try as much as possible to cooperate with it. It seems to me no reflection whatever on the family name or any of the old families that formerly lived in Shawshen Village. I think the article ought to be adopted.

Mr. Rhodes: The sentimental part of that proposition is all right but when you come to look at the street it has no resemblance to what it used to be. The county authorities have changed a lot of it and some has been built on, so that it seems to me that it is not so much improper to change the name as it would be if the street had kept its old original

lines. Already the street has been so effaced out of recognition that its name doesn't amount to very much.

Mr. McNulty: Mr. Burns said we should cooperate with Shawshen Village as much as possible, but here is an item that doesn't cost Shawshen Village a cent, and why wouldn't it be just as easy to change the rest of this Oxford street to Poor street and still maintain the old name? There is no money involved.

Robert M. Nelson: I used to ride through there on the train when it was called Frye Village, and now I happen to be a resident of Shawshen Village and am more and more interested in it. I don't think it is any reflection on Frye Village to take the name of Shawshen Village, or upon Poor street to change it to Oxford street.

Mr. O'Connell: May I ask through you, Mr. Moderator, if there is anybody here sufficiently well informed to tell us what event, place, incident or institution that the name Oxford is intended to perpetuate, in the event that this assembly decides to depart from the fine old Revolutionary name of Poor?

Moderator: You have heard Mr. O'Connell's query. Can anybody inform him?

Mr. Winslow: This was not suggested with any idea of picking on the name of Poor. It is an endeavor to correct a very poor condition which now exists with Poor street starting on Main street at the junction of Haverhill and Main and running northerly about 1,200 feet and then running out to Main street again. It is a condition that is not an up-to-date one and it was with that idea in mind that this and the following article were put into the warrant, simply to correct that condition.

Mr. O'Connell: In the absence of any information upon the subject this assembly is indeed in somewhat of a quandary as to just what to do. The gentleman in favor urges us to change the name for some unknown reason, and when we ask for even the most casual information we are met with silence. Off-hand I can think of only two things when the name Oxford is mentioned; that is a low-cut shoe and the famed English university of the same name. Personally I would hesitate to change the name, but as I note with regret that in this most important matter we get no counsel from the organization known as the Andover Historical Society I am loath to do so for them.

The Andover Historical Society during the past year has had a sort of resurrection and practically all the so-called polite names in town were added to its roster, and it does seem too bad that during its marshmallow-roast meetings and its inspiring hikes that this matter, so peculiarly theirs, was not considered for our guidance.

I seriously question whether this proposed change has the sanction of the dominating socialists at Shawshen Village. Anyway, it does not square with his reported brand of Americanism. One can not seriously object, when, in order to carry forward the great development in the Village, a bare meadow is taken and streets developed to which are given the names of the favored castles of the late Victoria and the present members of the British royal family, but when the System decrees that the traditional name of Poor be dropped for the name of the voted English university, I trust that when you Andover people sanction it, that the event be solemnized by the Historical Society raising and leading us in singing "God Save the King."

Dr. Abbott: I think the proponents of this article will agree that I have always spoken for the community spirit which exists between Frye Village, now Shawshen Village, and the center of the town. The Historical Society have considered this and I felt sure that the article would not go through. I am glad to coincide in part with what Mr. O'Connell has said. It does not seem to me altogether right that in interpreting Shawshen Village as a part of the town we should eliminate all that originally belonged to the name of Frye Village. The name of Frye itself and this name of Poor are worthy of consideration as a memorial. It makes no difference as to the sort of street that is there but it is a perpetuation of these old historical names which the Historical Society and these other organizations are interested in. We have heard much in regard to sentiment; I believe that there should be in the town a greater spirit of sentiment upon this particular thing. I don't believe that we should get away from the fact that Andover is a community and that we wish to keep it as a community, including Ballardvale and Shawshen Village as it is now called. I don't see any reason why the name Poor should not be retained upon a part of some street in this village. I trust that the proponent will agree with me that it will be wise to reconsider this and have the name of Poor perpetuated in Shawshen Village.

(Motion to change name of Poor street to Oxford street defeated.)

Article 23.—To see if the Town will vote to change the name of that part of Poor Street extending from Main and Lowell Streets northerly to Corbett Road, to Warwick Street, also to change the name of Magnolia Avenue to Warwick Street, combining these two streets under the same name, on petition of George H. Winslow and others.

Mr. Winslow: Considering the feeling of this meeting as expressed in the discussion regarding the previous article, I withdraw this article from the warrant.

Article 24.—To see if the Town will place a Fire Alarm Box at the corner of Ballardvale Road and Woburn Street and appropriate a sum of money therefor, on petition of John Corbett and others.

Mr. Bodwell: I move this be referred to the fire engineer.

Mr. La Rose: I think the fire box should be there. It is a good location to put it right there at Andover street, and I make a motion to that effect.

Mr. Emerson: I don't think that ought to be left to the Board of Fire Engineers. They haven't any money. This would cost more than an ordinary box, because you have got to run the wires half a mile. It will cost \$600 to put that box in there.

Moderator: It would seem like a carelessly drafted article to say the least. There is no appropriation whatever. We will vote on the motion that this be referred to the fire engineers.

(So voted.)

Article 25.—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$100.00 as its apportionment toward the erection of a sixty-foot steel forest fire observation tower on the summit of Prospect Hill by the Division of Forestry of Massachusetts, as authorized by Section 5, Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

(It was so voted.)

Article 26.—To see if the Town will vote to release any rights acquired by it by virtue of an oral agreement made between the Board of Public Works and Maurice J. Curran for the laying and maintenance of sewer pipes across the Roger Swenney Field, and to authorize the Board of Public Works through its Chairman to execute such release in behalf of the Town, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

(It was so voted.)

Article 27.—To see if the Town will vote to discontinue that part of Whittier Street between the Park and School property, a distance of 583 feet from Bartlett Street to the junction of Whittier

Court and Whittier Street, so that this may become a part of the Park System, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

(It was so voted.)

Article 28.—To determine the method of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

Frank H. Hardy: I move that the taxes be collected by the collector with a salary of \$1,800 per year, interest to be charged at 6 per cent per annum from October 15, on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1st.

Mr. Rogers: I move an amendment. I move that the tax collector be paid one-half of 1 per cent on all money collected. That would amount to about \$2,000 and it is certainly worth \$2,000 to handle that money. He now gets \$1,800 and that is only \$200 more. I make that as an amendment.

Mr. Traynor: I second that amendment. Seeing we are so generous with so many others, we ought to be generous with our tax collector.

Moderator: That will probably be much more than the amount specified by Mr. Rogers. I wonder if Mr. Rogers would like to name \$2,000 as the amount rather than the percentage idea.

Mr. Rogers: I am perfectly willing to accept that. My idea in asking this was that you have already passed on the money for town officers, and appropriated the sum of \$1,960. This would make the amount \$2,160 if the tax collector is paid \$2,000 instead of \$1,800.

Moderator: For the sake of keeping this clear, I would suggest that the town pass this motion in the amended form for a salary of \$2,000 for the tax collector, and then go back and repeat its vote on the appropriation in order to make it correspond with this \$2,000 salary. I understand that the motion has been amended so that the salary of the tax collector is changed to \$2,000 instead of \$1,800 per year. Will you vote on that?

(Amendment sustained.)

Moderator: Now, Mr. Rogers, if you will make your motion to go back to Article 3, we can reconsider the amount for town officers.

Mr. Rogers: I move that the \$11,960 appropriated for town officers be reconsidered and increased by the sum of \$200.

(It was so voted.)

Article 29.—To authorize the Town Treasurer to hire money for the use of the town in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year, with the approval of the Selectmen.

George A. Higgins: I move 'hat the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1924, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this note to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

(It was so voted.)

Article 30.—To determine what disposition shall be made of unexpended appropriations.

Mr. Higgins: I move that all unexpended appropriations be turned into the treasury except those listed at the end of the Treasurer's report.

(It was so voted.)

Article 31.—To act upon the report of the Town Officers.

Mr. Traynor: I think it would be well for the people of Andover and all the inhabitants of the town to know what salary our officers get. I would like to have the finance committee for 1924 make a further study in the year 1924 and show the amount of the wages paid to the people of our town.

I move that:

The finance committee for 1924 make a study of the several departments so that they can assist in compiling a report which shall show the amounts paid, and to whom, particularly the salaries, etc., of town officials.

(It was so voted.)

Moderator: That does not, however, dispose of Article 31.

(Voted to accept report of Town officers.)

Article 32.—To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Mr. McBride: We have granted increase in salary in our police department and our fire department, and I venture to say they are worthy of it. But I just now happened to come upon something as I was looking over the report, and I noticed that the janitor of this building only gets \$1,000 a year. He has all this place to take care of, and seeing the town is paying other people so much I think we can afford to pay a little more to the man who makes us all comfortable here. I haven't been asked to speak about this; I just came across it here, and I think we ought to pay him at least a few dollars more a week. It is worth it.

Mr. McNulty: I would like to know what would have to be done to have these town meetings held either on Monday evening or Saturday afternoon. Would it be possible to make a motion or vote on it?

Moderator: I am not posted as to whether the day of meeting is governed by statute or by laws.

Mr. McBride: I want to have the appropriation passed for town house reconsidered in order that we may give the janitor more than \$21 a week.

Moderator: Can you give us a figure that you would substitute for this?

Mr. McBride: I would like to have his

salary increased to at least \$28 a week. He has to come here on Sunday.

Mr. Rogers: How much does the janitor get under the present circumstances?

Mr. Higgins: Practically \$1,100.

Mr. McBride: I will put a motion that this vote be reconsidered.

(Voted not to reconsider the motion.)

Mr. McCarthy: I would like to find out as to the possibility of the town securing such legislation as would allow the town to charge admission to the playstead. I would like to secure the sense of the meeting on that proposition.

Moderator: This comes up at a late hour and in vague form. It looks to me as if this was a broad question and ought to be prepared for ahead. The voters could not vote intelligently or pass upon it intelligently at the present time.

Dr. Abbott: I do not think it could be considered today, and the way the vote was passed today it will be necessary to have some special legislation regarding certain questions upon that point, which would have to be settled at a later date.

Mr. McNulty: About changing the date and time of town meeting, — is it possible to do this at this meeting?

Moderator: I am quite certain it cannot be done at this meeting. It rests entirely with the town, but I am sure there would have to be notice given, and I rather think it is determined by statute anyway.

(Meeting adjourned at 4.30 p.m.)

St. Patrick's Day Observed by A. O. H.

Irish Night was fittingly observed by the members of Division 6, A. O. H., Monday evening when they held an entertainment and dance in the town hall in honor of the patron saint of Ireland, Saint Patrick.

John Traynor was master of ceremonies, and after an overture by Buckley's orchestra, gave a speech of welcome in which he invited every man of Irish blood to join the ranks of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He then introduced the speaker of the evening Hon. Edward C. Callahan of Lawrence, formerly state senator. Mr. Callahan's talk was on St. Patrick, and the glorious deeds that have been done by Irishmen, and at the conclusion of his remarks was warmly applauded.

The Dwyer sisters of Lawrence, dressed as Little Boy Blue and Little Girl Green gave a song and dance. The next numbers on the program were solos by William Riley of Lawrence, who sang "Mother Macree" and "That Old Irish Mother of Mine." Charles Butler gave comic songs, including "Maggie," and "Out in the Sunshine With You" in his inimitable way. He also sang "That Old Gang of Mine" and many joined in the chorus.

Miss Margaret Webb of Lawrence then sang "My Wild Irish Rose," and Miss Elizabeth Buss of Andover rendered "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" and "Believe Me If All These Endearing Young Charms." A dance by the Dwyer sisters ended the program.

The affair, held for the benefit of the parochial school fund, will net a substantial amount. Following the concert, dancing was enjoyed until midnight to excellent music by Buckley's eight-piece orchestra.

Former Andover Man Appointed Major

The following item of interest concerning B. E. Gray, son of Walter E. Gray, formerly of 76 Salem street, Andover, appeared in the March 7th issue of the Pendleton Times, published in Franklin, Pendleton County, West Virginia.

B. E. Gray has recently been promoted to the rank of Major in the U. S. Army, Engineers O. R. C. and assigned for duty with the 32nd regiment, a West Virginia outfit. This is inactive service, and he will be called to active duty only in time of emergency, but will aid in the organization work of building up a citizen army, as provided by Congress after the close of the World War.

Mr. Gray is Division Engineer in this district for the State Road Commission, with headquarters at Keyser, and this appointment will in no way affect the work of his office.

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